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These Goods were bought for SPOT CASH, so you can rely upon getting extra value for your money. We intend giving this part of our business strict attention in future. While the Stock is not yet complete, we are adding to it as soon as we can get it from the manufacturers.

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Though I have had a large trade during the Holidays, I still have on hand a well assorted Stock of Furniture for you to choose from. If you want a SIDE BOARD, a TABLE, or some CHAIRS, whether for kitchen, dining room or parlor, you will find me still able to please you, both in style and price. Or if you want PICTURES to ornament your walls, come to me, and see my selection. Also, on hand, Easels, Picture Frames, Bed Steads, Mattresses, Springs, Roller Blinds, Curtain Poles, etc. Call at any time and examine my goods. No trouble to show them.

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Ripans Tablets cure biliousness.
Ripans Tablets: one gives relief.
Ripans Tablets: for sour stomach.
Ripans Tablets cure torpid liver.
Ripans Tablets: gentle cathartic.
Ripans Tablets cure constipation.

County Council.

As noticed last week, Mr. J. K. McCargar was elected Warden. In his address to the council he said there were for the session, the council had tried to keep down the expenditure, and he thought they should still do so. The county roads and High Schools were costly, and something should be done if possible to make the cost less. More than \$10,000 should be spent on gravel roads, and the estimates should be kept within bounds.

On Wednesday morning a number of communications were read and referred to committees. Mr. Vankleek reported on gravel contracts, and on work done on roads and bridges. Notices of by-laws were given to appoint High School trustees, and to impose a fee on non-resident pupils of High Schools.

Mr. Dench, seconded by Mr. Holgate, moved that \$5,000 be taken from the sinking fund and placed on current account. The motion was discussed for some time, but action was deferred.

At the afternoon session a deputation of leading citizens of Belleville met the council, and asked them to consider the matter of building a bridge across the Moira at the northern limits of the city. Mr. Johnson said the city would bear one-half of the expense.

Stephen Badgley of Sidney, appeared before the council to ask them for damages done his traction engine by falling through an unsafe bridge in that township last fall. The timbers of the bridge were shown to have been in a very bad condition. The case was referred to the committee on ways and means, and when that committee met, Mr. Clare, chairman, they awarded Mr. Badgley \$15 damages.

When E. W. Brooks was returning from the Frankford fair with a lot of Jersey cattle, they crossed a bridge over a Jersey calf by some means went into the river and was drowned. The owner claimed that the railing of the bridge was insufficient and not a safe guard. He asked half the value of the animal, which he said was \$40. The matter was referred to the committee on ways and means, and they decided not to take any action.

On Thursday morning a petition was presented from residents of Bangor asking aid in opening certain roads. Referred to committee.

Mr. Dench's motion to take \$5,000 from the sinking fund and apply it to the current account, which was debated yesterday, was taken up this morning and passed.

Mr. A. Coe and Mr. Angus Nicholson, reeve of Madoc, met the council in reference to a road in Madoc running through a township. The township will be asked to put the road in good shape and if necessary defect it from its present course.

Mr. Dench, seconded by Mr. McFarlane, moved that not more than \$10,000 be appropriated for roads and bridges for the present year.

The following persons were appointed High School Trustees: Dr. G. W. Faulkner, Stirling; Mr. R. T. Gray, Madoc; Mr. F. S. Rathbun, Deseronto; Mr. W. W. Simmons, Trenton.

A by-law was passed imposing a fee of \$100 on all non-resident pupils attending High Schools, the by-law to take effect on April 1st next.

The council passed a by-law regulating hawkers and peddlers selling goods from house to house, travelling either on foot or by a conveyance. They are required to take out a license for a period of not less than six months or more than one year. The license fee to be: On foot, one year \$10; six months \$7. One horse or other animal, one year \$30; six months \$20. Two horses or other animals, one year \$50; six months \$25.

In no case will a license be granted to a company and each license holder will be required to always carry his license and to produce the same on the request of any fit and proper person. A refusal may be punished by fine or imprisonment.

The inspectors of Public Schools for North and South Hastings, and Mr. F. E. Seymour, of Madoc, were appointed a board of examiners for third class teachers.

A long petition was presented regarding the bridge across the Moira on the town line, and on motion of Mr. Cross, seconded by Mr. Parker, it was resolved that it was not at present expedient to build the bridge.

A grant of \$100 was made to Madoc Model School, and the usual grants for poor schools were made.

Council adjourned to June 13.

A party from Belleville start for the Klondike this morning, and will leave Toronto on Friday. Mr. Robert Bogle, one of the party, has gone on to Vancouver to make preparations. The other members of the party are: Joseph D. Clarke, manager; S. S. Moore, treasurer; Victor E. Wensley, Edward Sprague and John C. Keith. They are taking two teams of dogs from there. Mr. Clarke is the brother of Dr. C. J. Bol-drick, and Mr. Sprague is a relative of Dr. Sprague, of this village.

Warm Pea-Jackets.

You get just what you want in boys' and men's pea-jackets. We have the nice little fancy reefers for the small boys, and also those big warm ones with the high collars. Prices for the boys, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00. For men, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00. Do not get men's in our new store.

A New Light.

An inventor hailing from Logansport, Ind., claims to have discovered a new light which can be bottled up and which is more brilliant than the electric arc, steadier than the incandescent lamp, softer than an oil burner. It is like imprisoned sunshine. It has neither wires nor battery connected with it. It can be carried about in one's pocket. Its brilliancy will last as long as the glass in which it is confined.

The discoverer of the new illuminant is S. B. Nickum, of Logansport, Ind. It is the result of five years of the hardest kind of work in his finely appointed laboratory. It is the product of a trained and scientific mind, worked out slowly, laboriously, in the face of many failures and obstacles that appeared at first insurmountable.

The new light is the result of a chemical action heretofore unknown. There is no elaborate apparatus, no complicated machines needed to generate it. The chemicals are placed in a glass globe from which the air is extracted, and which is then hermetically sealed. The light glows at once. The globe can be carried about with the greatest freedom, if it is desired, or in any receptacle. Once started, the light never goes out, so long as the globe is intact.

If that is not deemed for this illuminant to be true it is one of the greatest discoveries of all times. It is more marvellous than the vacuum tube light discovered by Tesla. It means the destruction of gas trusts. It means the abandonment of their great plants and those of electric light companies well. Each individual and each household can have independent illuminant. It will be a deadly blow to the great Oil Trust. The brilliancy, the hue and the power of the new light can be regulated by the size and color of the glass globe. The light cannot be extinguished without destroying it absolutely.

Rawdon Council.

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Rawdon Township Council, held Jan. 31st 1898.

Rawdon Council met at the Town Hall, Rawdon, on above date according to adjournment. Members present were: Thos. J. Thompson, Wm. Linn, Richard Clements and Thos. H. Matthews. The minutes of last regular meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. Matthews introduced a By-law to confirm the appointment of auditors. Mr. Clements introduced a By-law to appoint a road surveyor.

Mr. Thompson moved seconded by Mr. Linn that the By-laws be now read a first time and referred to committee on By-laws. Carried.

Mr. Clements moved seconded by Mr. Matthews that the Council go in committee of the whole on By-laws, Mr. Linn in the Chair. Carried.

The By-law to appoint a road surveyor was read a second time, and the name of James Johnston was inserted. The By-law appointing auditors was read a second time, and the names James Scott and Wm. Meiklejohn were inserted. On motion the committee rose and reported. By-laws were read a third time, signed, sealed and numbered 188 and 187.

Mr. Matthews stated that the bridge over the town line between Rawdon and Seymour was about 12 pieces of covering. The Clerk was instructed to communicate with Seymour Council in regard to the matter. Council decided to advertise for tenders for two thousand feet of cedar for covering culverts and bridges, to be three inches thick, fourteen feet in length and not less than six inches wide. Tenders received up to Feb. 15th inst.

Local option By-law taken up. It was moved by Wm. Linn and seconded by Thos. H. Matthews that the By-law for the prohibition of the sale by retail of spirituous liquors in the Township of Rawdon be now read a third time. Carried.

The Reeve then read the By-law in full. Moved by Richard Clements and seconded by William Linn that this By-law be finally passed, signed, sealed and numbered 188. Carried.

Moved by Thos. J. Thompson and seconded by Richard Clements that a true copy of the By-law for the prohibition of the sale by retail of spirituous liquors in the Township of Rawdon with the notice as provided by 55 Vic. Chap. 42, Sec. 329 and 330 be published in the Stirling News-Argus in compliance with the Statute in that behalf. Carried.

The Collector returned his roll stating that a small amount still remained uncollected. The Council instructed him to collect the balance on the roll forthwith.

The following amounts were reported to be paid: Robert Radcliff, support D. Caldwell, \$16.00; Lewis Alcombar, moving gardeners; and two cords of wood for same, 7.50. Mrs. Isaac Neal, support gardeners, 6.30. Council adjourned until called together by the Reeve.

Thos. C. McCONNELL, Clerk.

More good discoveries are reported in the country north of Fort Edmont.

Mr. T. S. Chapman, an old weather prophet, in a letter to the Montreal Star says there will be "pretty long and well sustained winter weather, followed by a cool and rather backward spring. The balance of the year will be characterized by frequent changes, with a few short heated spells in July and August."

Youth's Ulsters.

The Oak Hall are giving some extra good value in youth's ulsters. Does your boy want a coat for next winter? If so, why not spend a small amount of cash and invest now. We can't afford to carry these heavy coats over until next winter, and if prices will go, these youth's ulsters will sell well.

STIRLING CASH STORE

NEW GOODS ON THE MOVE.

We are receiving now
New Wall Papers,
New Window Shades,
New Curtain Poles,
New Dress Goods,

New Prints,
New Wrapperettes,
New Shirtings,
New Cottonades,
New Flannelettes,
New Lace Curtains,
New Heavy Cotton
Shirts and Overalls.

Discount on Winter Goods
still available here for cash, the
same as last week.

Groceries, stock complete

Pure Spices, best quality.
Flavoring Essence.
Our 25c. Japan Tea is all
right. Your money back if not
satisfactory.

See our new Dinner Set,
special value, \$6.00.

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P.S.—No. 1 Dried Apples,
Fresh Eggs and Good Butter
Wanted.

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We have in stock now a quantity of
Fresh and Salt White Fish and Fin-
nan Haddies.

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Our Flour is taking the lead both in
quality and price. We import it from
Hastings and Lindsay Mills.

Also, a fine quality of Rolled Bar-
ley Flour, Rolled Oats, and Corn-
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FRESH OYSTERS always in stock.
Also, furnished on short notice for
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Special Bargains in all-wool Serge,
25c. per yard.
Double fold Dress Goods at 18cts.
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Ladies' Black Wool Mitts, 20c.
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Eggs.

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THE NEWS AT NUTSHELL.

THE VERY LATEST FROM ALL THE WORLD OVER.

Interesting Items About Our Own Country, Great Britain, the United States, and All Parts of the Globe, Condensed and Assorted for Easy Reading.

CANADA.

Manitoba farmers are shipping large quantities of stock to the Yukon. The Grand Trunk Railway Company will enlarge its wheel foundry at Hamilton, a large number being illicit whisky stills.

Welland now has natural gas for heating, lighting and manufacturing purposes.

An agent of the Dominion Government is at Copenhagen securing Laplanders and reindeer for the Yukon.

The Marquis of Lorne has accepted the position of Honorary Colonel of the 15th Battalion, Argyll Light Infantry.

The Department of Inland Revenue effected 215 seizures during the past week, a large number being illicit whisky stills.

Mr. George Connell, Clerk of the County of Wentworth, died suddenly at his family residence, Hamilton, on Saturday.

The Spring Hill Coal Company, of Nova Scotia, will operate the Souris coal-fields, where they have secured franchises and tender for the Yukon.

Messrs. Siegel, Cooper & Company of New York and Chicago say that they have no intention of opening a department store in Toronto.

Her Majesty's ship Sparrowhawk, and torpedo destroyer Sparrowhawk are at Esquimaux, B.C. There are now seven vessels in the harbor.

An order in Council has been passed designating Port Stanley as a port to which the harbors at shall apply, and determining the limits of the port.

Owing to the heavy draught made on the Mounted Police for service in the Yukon, the remaining force find it difficult to attend to the calls made on them.

The City Hall at London, the scene of the recent accident, is being repaired, but there is an agitation in the city for the erection of a new hall farther north.

The Government will place some 95,000,000 whitefish in Lakes Ontario, Erie, Huron, and St. Clair next summer. The eggs are now being hatched in the Sandwich hatchery.

The investigating governors of the Royal Canadian Humane Association have awarded the silver medal to Albert J. Cunniff of Hamilton for saving Miss Amelia Hall from drowning.

Smuggling in a large way is strongly suspected by the Customs Department to be carried on over the frontier at Niagara Falls, but the experts at the business are able to nonplus the officials.

A fortnightly mail service between Auckland, New Zealand, and San Francisco and Vancouver will be inaugurated on April 1. The Oceanic and Canadian-Australian lines will sail every fourteen days alternately.

Since the beginning of the year thirty-nine families from the United States have taken up their abode in Toronto, the opinion of the opinion that the future of that city is brighter than the outlook in the United States cities.

GRAT BRITAIN.

Countess Russell, widow of Lord John Russell, is dead at London.

Great Britain has again declined to reopen the sealing question in answer to a request of the United States.

It is said in London that the Government will ask Parliament to sanction a loan of £5,000,000 for the purpose of Alarming rumors regarding Mr. Gladstone's health are again current in London, but reports from Cannes state that there is little foundation for them.

The very Rev. Henry George Liddell, the former dean of Christ Church, Oxford, is dead. He was born in 1811, and was at one time chaplain to the Prince Consort.

Events in the far east are forcing again into prominence the Pacific cable question. The influential journals all point out the urgent need of an all-British cable.

The suit against Lady Sykes in London, by Jay, a money-lender, has failed. The jury finding that the signatures to the notes were forged. This puts the ladyship in a rather worse position than before.

It is rumored in London that Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria will shortly announce the betrothal of the late Crown Princess Elizabeth, daughter of the late Crown Prince Rudolph, to the King of Spain.

Henry Irving has been selected as the Rede lecturer at Cambridge University for 1899. The lecturer was established in Henry VIII's time to be delivered in "Humanity, Logic, and Philosophy forever."

Mr. Dunbar Plunkett Barton, Q.C., Member of Parliament for the Middle Division of Armagh, has been returned to the House of Commons without opposition on his appointment as Solicitor-General for Ireland.

England has taken a step toward the abandonment of her unsuccessful free trade policy of the last century, now that in French territory. The Queen has evoked the letters patent of 1852 constituting the monopoly of Sierra Leone.

The Lord O'Neill was lost on Wednesday night off Limerick. The crew were rescued by the British steamer Kinross, from Liverpool. The ship was on her way to the coast of Ireland.

The Executive Committee of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers has recommended the strikers to accept the employers' terms, practically giving the latter sole control of their work. It is probable that the work will probably be resumed on January 1st.

The annual commemoration of the death of Prince Henry of Battenberg took place on Wednesday at Whippingham church, where his remains are resting. The ceremony was attended by Queen Victoria, Princess Henry of

Battenberg, Princess Christian, and the Marchioness of Lorne.

UNITED STATES.

A wheel company in Buffalo has received by express an order for 3,000 bicycles to be shipped to Hamburg, Germany.

The nomination of Attorney-General McKenna as Justice of the Supreme Court has been ratified by the United States Senate.

Eight men were killed and four seriously wounded at Sandy Forks, Ky., in a fight which arose over a game of cards. All were killed.

There is a big strike among the cotton operators at New Bedford, Mass., and other New England towns, over the reduction of wages.

At the annual meeting of the Boston Chamber of Commerce the resolutions favoring reciprocity with Canada were unanimously adopted.

The Cleveland Music Hall, which was built in 1855, at a cost of \$300,000, is destroyed by fire on Saturday night. The seating capacity of seven thousand.

Rev. T. Dwight Talmore, the noted divine of Washington, and Mrs. Emma Talmore, his wife, were married at Pittsburgh, on Saturday.

"Gray Gables," the summer home of ex-Governor Cleveland at Buzzard's Bay, has been visited by burglars, who ransacked the house from attic to cellar and made good their escape without leaving the slightest clue to their identity.

The proposition now before the New York State Legislature to legalize Sunday theatricals in New York City has evoked a storm of protests from the theatrical profession, who dislike the suggestion, and who are in a state of rest. They will ask the clergy to assist them in a crusade against the proposal.

In the United States Senate on Thursday, speaking on the Immigration bill, said: "No immigrant not a pauper or insane, or diseased, or criminal, should be turned out of our country. This bill is the cry of prostitution and selfishness. It is another form of the man's of gold."

GENERAL.

Yellow fever has disappeared from Jamaica.

Dr. Schweninger says Prince Bismarck's condition is not serious.

Disastrous floods are reported from Persigiana, on the Spanish frontier of France.

The Russian army has sent a costly sword as a present to King Menelik of Abyssinia.

Successful observations of the solar eclipse were made in India and other parts of the globe.

One Catholic priest was shot and three wounded during services in a village church, at Corsu, Island of Corsica, on January 12, have reached Oran, on the Arabian Sea.

The Australian gold yield for the month of November was: Queensland, 78,024 ounces; West Australia, 75,040; Victoria, 70,717.

An eighteen-year-old English colonist in Australia, has been sent to jail for a term of years for flogging three natives.

Bucharest has been imitating Paris by having a duel between journalists. Being less skillful than their French originals, however, one constant unfavourable result.

A Cannes despatch speaking of Mr. Gladstone's health, says: "He is extremely weak and so dejected as a result of neurasthenia, but he has expressed a desire that all were over."

Messrs. Hickie and Prunty, who escaped the massacre of the British-surrender party which was attacked by natives at Mekran on January 12, have reached Oran, on the Arabian Sea.

There was a severe earthquake shock on Monday at Argentina, Italy, eighteen miles south of Palermo. Churches and several buildings were wrecked, and some persons were injured.

During the past week the deaths from the bubonic plague at Bombay numbered 531, and at Calcutta there were 1,550 deaths. The exodus is increasing, and business is stagnating.

The Vatican statistician announces that last year the Congregation of Cardinals received 180 applications for the annulment of marriage, took about half of them, and cut the bonds in only six cases.

It is reported that Japan has purchased the Brazilian cruiser, Alagoas, and has also bought the Brazilian ironclads Doodora and Floriano, which are new army corvettes.

Considerable surprise has been caused at Berlin, by the Cologne Gazette announcing that Russia has formed a new army corps in the German and Austrian frontiers at Vilna and Kieff.

Empress Augusta Victoria's latest birthday present from her husband is a bracelet made of the seven miniatures of her children painted on ivory and set in jewels. From the middle picture hangs the portrait of the Kaiser in a heart-shaped medallion.

A swordfish weighing 2070 pounds was taken in the Straits Settlements, and was 30 feet long, the flesh and bones weighed 900 cwt., or 1200 pounds; and the sword 30 cwt.

According to a special despatch received from Berlin, it is semi-officially announced that the city of Germany will not object to the appointment of Prince George of Greece as Governor of the island of Crete, "provided the other powers unanimously consent."

In the Italian Chamber of Deputies on Friday, the Premier, Marquis di Rudini, explained that the recent disorders in the Italian provinces were of employment owing to the retrocessions in public expenditures.

A letter has been received at Brussels, Belgium, dated November 18, which reports that the insurgents have attacked and defeated a detachment of the Congo State troops north of the Kasai. The insurgents have killed 200 and taken 100 prisoners.

D'Hanis personally undertook punitive operations from Lakanu in the Manyema district.

BRITISH TROOPS TRAPPED.

AN INCIDENT OF THE FIGHTING ON THE INDIAN FRONTIER.

Brave Men Placed at a Disadvantage and Shot Down—Mountaineers Country a Great Help to the Afghans—Frustrating Account of a Desperate Struggle.

The troops breakfasted early and started at about seven a. m. Within about two miles of camp they encountered opposition, and a disposition was made to attack, which was a correspondent of the London Times. The artillery, escorted by the Fifteenth Sikhs, climbed a steep hill on the right and, coming into action against groups discernible on the lower slopes of the mountain, speedily dispersed them.

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YOUNG FOLKS.

WHAT THE LEAVES SAID.
I won't steal Alice's sticks of candy.
I won't tell Robert a jack-and-a-dandy.
I won't squeak my pencil on my slaty.
I won't lie in bed every day and be lazy.
I won't make faces at Timothy Mack;
I won't turn them, so and so.
The good shall come and the bad shall go.
I won't make fun behind any one's back.
I won't tell "barn doors" in all my frocks.
I won't put my toes through all my socks.
I won't be greedy at dinner-table.
At least—I think I won't if I'm able.
I will not pinch nor poke nor tease.
I will not squitter nor cough nor sneeze.
I will not grumble nor fret nor scold.
I will do exactly whatever my old.
Rustle and turn them so and so.
The good shall come and the bad shall go.

"PUSSY."

Pussy is a pretty, fat lay pony, who makes her home on Clover Hill, and has no occupation on earth only to carry the children on her broad back for a ride occasionally, or to help her master drive cattle, which she seems to understand all about, whirling and heading them off, nipping some, and kicking others, until her master is still when left alone, until her master comes for her again. He does not use her very often, so the most of her time is spent eating grass, until she is really too fat for comfort. Sometimes when the children have company they put the saddle on Pussy and ride up and down across the meadow field near the house, but she is too fat to bring home the cows from the pasture, so, of course when she starts into a field where the cows are, those cows are coming home or there will be trouble.

One evening the milking had been done and the cows turned back into the meadow, when some friends being at the house, Nellie concluded to show them what a nice saddle pony she had. Puss, for some reason, did not fancy having the saddle strapped on, but after a few minutes she gave up all right, and Nellie told her friend to mount and take a ride up the field through the field. Puss saw the cows and started to run, but Nellie caught her by the bridle to draw her back to the road, but tossed her mane and cantered off, so that the cows and rider did not know that was what she wanted, so after quite a struggle, compelled her to turn and come back without them. This time she was not so fat, Puss, who began cutting all sorts of capers, finally dashing for home, to the delight of the friend and the disgust of Nellie. Nellie concluded she could, and should go, straight up the road, and started in a cowboy race up the road. Puss jumping daisies, crossways, and every way she could, until she, having made a circuit of the field, returned to the starting point, flushed and triumphant, but not willing to ask any one to ride her again, at least in the same field with a cow.

One of the cows is a great favorite of Puss's. Her name is Cherry, and she has her tracks scratched, same as little folks, and sometimes Puss goes to this cow, and lying down, makes her understand that she wishes to be liked; whereupon "Cherry" the cow, commences and licks her from head straight to Cherry can reach her. When one side is finished she goes to the other, and if Puss, in her enjoyment, leans over and reaches up, Cherry gives her a gentle "biff" with her head—she has no horns—and Puss straightens up again. This is fun for the children, who call her "Cherry's calf," and she looks funny for a little while, too, with her glossy hair lying sleek in every direction.

Pussy is a very knowing little horse. She opens the yard gate, walks in, and eats all the grass she wants, then walks up to the gate, opens it, and goes away to the stable for a while. Sometimes she eats too much, and is in pain, judging from the sighs and groans she gives, so her master said she must not come in the yard and a rope was tied around the post and slipped over the gate. She watched the proceeding with great interest, and when we went in the house, took the rope between her teeth, lifted it off, gave the gate a toss with her nose then walked through the gate, and as yet she does not know how that is fixed.

JUST A BIT OF FUN.

Because a girl puts on long dresses she should not think it necessary to give up fun—real, rollicking fun. Of course, she cannot indulge in the pranks she enjoyed as a child, but she should never miss an opportunity for a good hearty laugh. Someone has said that fun is Nature's tonic. Surely everyone knows the exhilarating effect of a good laugh, and it drives away so many little ills and dispels gloominess like magic. It does not need to become too old to enjoy even the small pleasures of life. Certainly, with the cares and worries that come with advanced years one cannot have the time to indulge in fun with the abandon of early years, yet the young woman need not give up all her day's work with pleasure. As a rule, have something to laugh at. Work is done. The boys meet and spend a jolly hour or two probably in some athletic game, or going to the healthfully tired, their heads as well as their bodies in a condition that they can look forward to their next day's work with pleasure. But so the young woman. She will be found spending her evening over a book, doing some needlework, or her clothes, and she goes to bed worn out and depressed in mind. Fun is necessary to keep up the spirits. An hour's chat, a game of cards, with friends means much to the woman who is at home and around the house constantly. The old saying that a woman's work is never done, is generally

quite true, but for that matter she needs for her own good to have cheerful thoughts and indulge in genuine fun and laughter as often as the opportunity is presented, without of course neglecting her important duties. Remember that fun is truly Nature's tonic for many little ills of both mind and body.

HINTS FOR YOUNG SPORTSMEN.

Every boy over fifteen should be taught the use of a gun, and how to care for it. Many an accident has happened because the boy was not allowed to go out with some older, careful sportsman, gun would teach thoroughly the proper method of handling a gun in the field or woods, for it is the "picked-up" knowledge that breeds the careless and so often fatal to self or companions.

A single-barreled hammer breech-loader is best for a beginner, and you can get one for very little money. With this you will not become confused at a critical moment and in going through brush you will not be obliged to watch where two would give you some trouble and might prove a source of danger to your companion. When you have selected a gun that fits your shoulder and comes up naturally so that your eye glancing down the barrel catches the sight without looking for it, practice with it unloaded, aiming quickly at small objects about you until your hand, holding the gun, is almost instinctively. Now go into the field and try one or two shots at marks. If you finish, load a few light cartridges, and try to hit. Use these until you can shoot without blinking. Then increase the charges.

Never first in the open until you are thoroughly accustomed to handling the gun, and then you can seek the woods. Wherever you are, always bear in mind these points:

Never keep your gun cocked unless in the immediate vicinity of game. Never climb a fence under any circumstances with it cocked.

Always keep the muzzle pointed toward the ground when hunting with companions.

Never shoot until you can see distinctly at what you are shooting.

Never climb a fence under any circumstances with it cocked.

Never drag a loaded gun by the muzzle through thick underbrush.

Don't keep a gun cocked longer than is necessary when in a boat.

Always keep your gun thoroughly loaded and out of action before entering town, or if you live on a farm, before reaching the house.

Always clean your gun thoroughly inside and out, and if you return from a trip, rub the barrel with oil before starting on a wet day. Carry an oiled rag in your pocket, if you are alone.

Never shoot quail on the ground.

Obey all game laws to the letter. Never hunt for market, that is what is making game scarce.

Don't be a hog when you have companions with you. Always keep your wits about you, and do not let a minute's carelessness either on your part or the part of your friends while there is a gun in the party.

SOME GOOD RULES.

These rules, handed down by somebody's grandmother, are good ones for our boys and girls to remember: Always look at the person to whom you speak. When you are addressed, look straight at the person who speaks to you. Do not forget this.

Speak your words plainly, do not mumble or mumble. If words are worth saying, they are worth pronouncing distinctly and clearly. Never say anything unless you have something pleasant to say, keep silent if you have nothing to say.

Remember that all children, remember that all your lives—think three times before you speak once.

Have you something to do that you like to do? If you prefer not to do it, then listen to wise words. Remember the hard things first and get it over with. If you have done wrong, go and confess it. If your lesson is tough, master it. If the garden is to be weeded, weed it first, and play afterward. Do first the things you don't like to do, and then the things you like to do, with a clear conscience, try the rest.

PEARLS OF TRUTH.

Learning makes a man fit company for himself.—Young.

The true art of memory is the art of attention.—Johnson.

If a man be ended with a generous mind, this is the best kind of nobility.—Plato.

You will never find time for anything. If you want time you must make it.—Charles Buxton.

It is not what he has, or even what he loses which impresses the worth of a man, but what he is.—Amiel.

All virtues, magnanimity is the rarest; there are a hundred persons of small or who winnily acknowledge it in another.—Housman.

There is a deportment which suits the figure and talents of each person; it is always lost when we quit it. It is like a coat of armor.—Housman.

The one who will be found in trial capable of great acts of love is ever the one who is always doing considerable good to others.—We Robertson.

Some of the best lessons we ever learn we learn from our mistakes and failures. The errors of the past is the wisdom of the future.—Wynne Edwards.

THAT WAS SUFFICIENT.

Jack—That is my finance over there in the corner. Lay it, a beauty? Tom—She certainly is; but you must remember that beauty is only skin-deep.

Jack—Well, what do you think I am—a cannibal?

A MATTER OF CONJECTURE.

She—She feels hurt because she heard that you said she was no chicken. He—Oh, I wonder if the average young lady would consider it a compliment to be called a chicken.

PRACTICAL FARMING.

WINTER FEEDING.

Winter feeding is now the problem, and this winter is unlike others, as it finds more young pigs of summer and fall breeding in the hands of farmers than usual, due to the cold, wet, spring which caused a shortage of the usual crop. There are many things to consider now, says a writer, especially with the low price for hogs, and notwithstanding the low price of corn, which figures but little in growing the pig. Shorts, bran, and oilmeal have so advanced that it may be a question in places if they can be fed at a profit.

For those that in the anticipation of higher prices for hogs, breed and raise a large number of summer and fall pigs and have not a surplus of feed, it would be far more economical to present a part of them to feeders at present market prices, than to half starve them through the winter, and inure the next season's pig class leader. Many who are in possession of good feeding stuff in abundance for feeding and growing pigs, either fully neglect or seem to have an aversion to making themselves acquainted with the relative quantity and quality of each required for sustaining the pig's growth, or for fattening.

A lack of this knowledge or its application causes the farmer to feed too frequently, and fill with fresh water daily. Fowls are very fond of water, and often suffer from an infestation of worms. Water is the first thing they want in the morning, and they will take a drink of it, and then before going to roost at night.

If you would have a garden, keep it fenced, or else keep the fowls confined. If you keep your fowls in a yard, otherwise, fowls will scratch, and they delight in digging around growing plants and vines. A two-foot wall of fencing will be sufficient to keep them out of the garden, if it is securely fastened and staked toward the garden. They will rarely dig over it, and it is a chance to do so. A flock of fifty Leghorns, rightly managed, will keep a garden in good order, besides supplying the table with eggs. It is not necessary to take grocery-store prices for eggs. Among the best of the fowls, the Leghorns are those who are anxious to secure guaranteed eggs, and willing to pay an extra price for them. We know of farmers who are getting as much as 10 cents a dozen over market price for all their eggs in this way.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST.

A Few Items Which May Prove Worth Reading.

The swiftest river in the world is the Sutley in India. At one part of it there is a descent of 12,000 feet in 103 miles. In a recent issue of the "Geographical Magazine," a Jacob Miller of Eklon, Meck., have been made in eighty-eight years. It is 100 miles long, and is one year younger.

Purana made of the skin of the frog is a great favor with Parisian ladies. This kind of leather is extremely thin, yet very durable.

A liquor dealer in Birmingham, Ala., mixed wood alcohol with cheap whiskey and sold it to his patrons. Ten of them died within three days.

A Texas judge encouraged the husband of a flirting wife with this opinion: "flirting is no pretext for a divorce but it is a good excuse for a funeral."

A judicial decision recently announced in Kentucky prohibits building and loan associations charging their members more than six per cent. for the use of money.

N. R. Freeman, Justice of the Peace, of Winamac, Ind., has married 2,897 couples. His age is 94, and he challenges the record of his years to a wrestling or jumping match.

The heaviest bicycle rider in the world is Jos. W. Grimes, of Augusta, Ga. He is six feet four inches in height and weighs 524-24 pounds. He measures 63 inches around the waist.

England is the country where there is a collection of epileptic numbers about 1,500. The colony was established in 1868, and patients from all parts of the world go there for treatment.

Chicks abound on the Scilly Islands, near Cornwall. At low tide crabs drift into the underground openings leading to the rat-holes, and the rats gnaw off their legs to prevent their escape.

The first book printed in New Haven, Conn., was that which contained the laws of Yale College. It was issued in 1748, and was all in Latin. The laws were afterwards printed in English, in 1750.

The bass-drum is one of the instruments of bands attending regiments of the Serbian army. It is fixed on a two-wheeled cart, which is drawn by a large team of oxen. The drummer walks behind the cart.

The thieves of Lahore, India, would be worth stealing if he could be kidnapped on some state occasion, when he is locked with his full array of jewels. At such times the gems in his crown and worn on his person are valued at \$100,000.

It is much to the credit of the clergymen of New Orleans that during the recent yellow fever terror in that city not one of them deserted his post of duty. Yet their congregations diminished alarmingly, and in some cases even the bravest of the clergy fled.

A London "prophet" has damaged his reputation by two inconsistent performances. A week after positively predicting the end of the world in 1900, he paid a large sum to secure a fifteen-year lease of a house wherein he carries on a respectable business.

A Chicago clergyman paused in his sermon to welcome three or four late comers, and warmly thanked them for their opportune arrival, saying they had aroused some of his sleeping congregation. Then he proceeded with his sermon, and the tardy ones blushed with shame.

To win a bet, El. Fahney, of Funkstown, Pa., tried to skin a squirrel in two minutes. With the squirrel on his knee, he waited for the call of "Time!" Then he hastily

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STIRLING, HASTINGS COUNTY, ONT., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1908.

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HONOR GRADUATE OF TORONTO UNIVERSITY, AND M.R.C.S.D. OF ONTARIO.
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Again Visited by Fire.

The Milne Block, E. F. Parker's, and the Post Office in Ruins.

About six o'clock on Sunday morning last, the 6th inst., fire was discovered in the dry goods and grocery store of Conley and Martin, next door east of Mr. L. Meiklejohn's hardware store. The alarm was quickly given, but the fire had then obtained such headway that it was impossible to gain entrance to the store, and the whole stock was completely consumed. The fire spread to Mr. Meiklejohn's hardware store on the west, and from there to the Post Office and Mr. E. F. Parker's store, all of which were completely consumed. The contents of the Post Office were saved, together with nearly all the fixtures, and a portion of the stocks of Mr. Meiklejohn's hardware and Mr. E. F. Parker's dry goods and groceries were also saved.

It was thought for some time that Mr. C. E. Parker's drug and book store would also be destroyed, but by energetic work on the part of the citizens the building was saved, though slightly damaged. Mr. Parker had removed a portion of his stock, and thus suffered a considerable loss.

The losses and insurance, as near as can be ascertained, are as follows:

Parker Brothers, formerly the Milne Block, on building, \$7,000; insurance, \$1,500.

Mrs. Judd, building, \$2,500; insurance, \$1,500.

E. F. Parker, stock, \$5,500; partially saved, on which there was an insurance of \$3,500, which will fully cover loss.

F. B. Parker had a lot of grain and other articles in the unoccupied store, all of which was totally consumed; loss about \$500, on which there was no insurance.

C. E. Parker, damage to building estimated at \$1,000; damage to stock, \$750,—both fully covered by insurance.

Conley & Martin, loss \$2,000. We understand the insurance company has already settled this claim by paying \$1460.

L. Meiklejohn, loss estimated at \$4,000. This has already been settled by the insurance company paying \$3,900. Mr. Meiklejohn had a stock of \$6,000, of which about \$2,000 was saved.

The Chosen Friends of Stirling, had their Lodge room in the Hall over Mr. E. F. Parker's store. Their loss is estimated at \$75. No insurance.

Miss McConaghy had her dressmaking rooms over Mr. Parker's store, and lost sewing machines and other articles. Have been unable to ascertain the amount of loss.

Dr. Oliver estimates his loss at \$50 caused by damages in removing his stock. Insured in the Western.

The shop occupied by John McGee, harness maker, corner of the Scott House block, was also in danger, and he had everything removed from the shop. All the glass in the front windows was broken by the intense heat.

Mrs. Judd intends rebuilding as soon as possible, and already has the ruins cleared, and ready to commence operations. Parker Bros. also intend rebuilding as soon as spring opens.

The Post Office was removed into the south shop of the McKee block, and is comfortably settled there.

The buildings on the south side of the street were in danger, and Mr. D. Martin had a considerable portion of his stock removed. Fortunately there was no wind or there might have been a repetition of the big fire of June, 1868.

For a time it was feared Parker's drug and book store would also fall a prey to the flames, and if so the News-Argus would also have been burned. As a precaution a portion of our printing plant was moved out, but fortunately we escaped.

Messrs. J. B. Boldrick & Son also took the precaution to put up large sheets of galvanized iron over their windows; and some of the windows and doors in the Parker Block on the south side of the street were similarly covered, but some windows were broken by the heat.

It was feared that the village engine would not be able to keep the fire in check, and a message was sent to Belleville for a fire engine, and one was taken to the station, but by that time it was seen the fire was not likely to spread beyond the buildings which were destroyed, and therefore another message was sent commanding the order.

The different insurance companies are interested in the recent fire to the following amounts:—Guarantee, \$7,000. London, Liverpool & Globe, \$7,000. Lancashire, \$1,500. Royal, \$1,000. Parker's Block, and the stock of the Drug and Book store are insured in the British America.

Youths' Ulsters.

The Oak Hall are giving some extra good value in youths' ulsters. Does your boy want a coat even for next winter? If so, why not spare a small amount of cash and invest now. We can't afford to carry these heavy coats over until next winter, and if prices will sell, these youths' ulsters will soon all go.

Hammond is to have a new trial.

Acetylene Gas.

Some Particulars Respecting this New Light.

Last week we made brief mention that Mr. L. Meiklejohn had his hardware store lit by this new illuminant. Some further particulars may be interesting.

The machine placed in his store is one manufactured by the Hamilton Acetylene Co. This machine is, without doubt, the latest and most improved. The simplicity and durability of its construction, the absolute elimination of all elements of danger in its use, (the pressure never exceeding 15 lbs. to the square inch) and the fact that it furnishes more illumination at less cost than coal oil or electric light, is quite sufficient to interest any one. It is expressly designed for use in private houses, offices, stores, churches, factories, streets, or any other place where a good light is required.

It is very simple and perfectly automatic in its operation, its care requiring no more knowledge of machinery than the management of an ordinary coal stove. Being exactly the color of natural sunlight, the shade and tint of any object exposed to it is perfectly returned, thus enabling the most delicate colors to be matched, a property possessed by no other illuminant.

The source of acetylene gas is calcium carbide, which is a hard, porous, grayish-black material, and to generate acetylene gas from it it is brought in contact with water.

The general opinion is that it is going to be the light of the day.

Many of the stores in our town are poorly lit up, and it is to be hoped that many of the merchants, if not all, will place acetylene gas in their stores and enjoy a good light, as well as add to the beauty of the town.

We congratulate Mr. L. Meiklejohn on being the first in our town to secure the acetylene gas, which adds wonderfully to the appearance of his store, and trust many others will follow him.

NOTE.—The above was in type before the fire. We are sorry to have this brilliant light so soon extinguished.

Rich Corundum Deposits.

Another Valuable Mineral in Hastings County.

The corundum-bearing territory in the counties of Hastings and Renfrew, said Director Blue of the Bureau of Mines, has been explored across the townships of Carlaw, Raglan, Lynedoch and Sebastopol by W. T. Miller, of the Kingston School of Mining. The length of the belt is about 80 miles, and its average width about 3 miles, making a total area of about 100 square miles. Some time since several tons of the ore were taken out by Mr. Miller and conveyed to the Kingston School, where a series of tests have been carried on under the direction of Prof. De Kalb, the new professor of mining engineering. These tests are now nearly completed, and a report is in course of preparation for the Bureau of Mines.

A preliminary report by Prof. De Kalb of tests designed to show the quantity of corundum in the ore and the best means of separating it from its including matrix has been made to Mr. Blue, which indicates that successful concentration is feasible on a large scale.

The experiments so far have, of course, been incomplete, but enough has been done to demonstrate that the ore can be treated economically.

Further tests have been made, showing that concentrates may be produced giving 92 to 94 per cent of corundum, and as the commercial standard of purity requires only 80 per cent of corundum, it appears that this limit can be easily passed in treating these corundum ores.

The result of the tests carried on at the Kingston School of Mining will be instructive and valuable, and when the report is published it will serve as a useful guide to capitalists and others who may be disposed to make a careful examination of this new corundum field with a view to investment.

Now, as corundum is better than emery for the manufacture of abrasive wheels, and, inasmuch as besides the ore may be used for the manufacture of aluminum, this deposit must be a valuable one. Mr. Blue does not see why mills for the production of the raw material for abrasive wheels should not be established in Hastings or Renfrew, and he also adds that this corundum should serve as a better base for aluminum than that from which the light metal is now produced.

Mr. Alex. McKenzie, of Montreal, who has returned from the North Carolina corundum fields, whether he went to explore for a New York firm, has been furnished by Mr. Blue with the reports about the Ontario deposits. One thing that favors our own fields is their accessibility.

Signs of rubies, sapphires and beryls have been seen in the eastern fields, which are to be more fully explored in the spring. The country also shows indications of tin.

STIRLING CASH STORE

NEW GOODS ON THE MOVE.

We are receiving now
New Wall Papers,
New Window Shades,
New Curtain Poles,
New Dress Goods,
New Prints,
New Wrapperettes,
New Shirtings,
New Cottonades,
New Flannelettes,
New Lace Curtains,
New Heavy Cotton Shirts and Overalls.

Discount on Winter Goods still available here for cash, the same as last week.

Groceries, stock complete

Pure Spices, best quality.
Flavoring Essence.
Our 25c. Japan Tea is all right. Your money back if not satisfactory.
See our new Dinner Set, special value, \$6.00.

T. G. CLUTE.

P.S.—No. 1 Dried Apples, Fresh Eggs and Good Butter Wanted.

GROCERY - GROCERY

Just opened up a large crate of Crocker & Glassware of the choicest kind. Call and see our gilt edge Tea and Dinner Sets at very reasonable prices.

FLOUR. --- FLOUR.

Our Flour is giving good satisfaction.

OYSTERS
Furnished for oyster suppers.

WANTED.
Butter, Eggs, Potatoes, Dressed Hogs and Poultry. Highest prices paid for same.

CALL AND SEE
Samples of Mammoth Southern Sweet, Red Cob, and Improved Leaming Corn. Will take orders for the above.

S. HOLDEN.
FOR SALE.—A valuable farm in Huntingdon. Apply to S. HOLDEN, Stirling.

FOUND.

On the Tenth Con. of Rawdon, about the middle of January, a Buffalo Robe. The owner can have the same by proving property and paying for this advertisement.
ALEX. MARTIN,
Lot 2, Con. 2, Rawdon.

PUBLIC MEETING.

A Public Meeting in behalf of MR. ALEX. CONSERVATIVE candidate for North Hastings to the Ontario Legislature, will be held on Friday evening, the 11th inst., at 7:30 o'clock, in the Music Hall, Stirling. Addresses will be delivered by Mr. Allen, Mr. J. W. Johnson, Mayor of Belleville, and others. Mr. Lott, or any one on his behalf, is invited to be present, and will be accorded a fair hearing.
GEO. E. CRYER,
Sec. Conservative Ass'n, Stirling.
Pres. Conservative Ass'n, Stirling.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM LYONS, late of the Township of Sidney, in the County of Hastings, farmer, deceased.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Ontario, chap. 116, section 4, and amendments acts, to all creditors and other persons having claims against the estate of William Lyons, late of the Township of Sidney, in the County of Hastings, farmer, deceased, who have not registered their claims in writing, in accordance with the provisions of the said Statute, to send in their claims, in writing, to the undersigned, at or before the day of March, 1898, at 12 o'clock, noon, or at any time thereafter, and the nature of security (if any) held by them.

And notice is further given, that after the said date mentioned the said executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard to the claims of which notice has been given as required.

All persons indebted to the said estate are also hereby notified to hand in the amount of their indebtedness on or before the 5th day of March next to the said administrator.
GEORGE LYONS,
Administrator.
J. EARL HALLIWELL,
Solicitor for Administrator.
Dated the 8th day of February, A. D. 1898.

ROSSLAND'S GOOD RECORD.

THE OUTPUT FOR 1897 EXCEEDS
THREE MILLION DOLLARS.

Great Increase over the Yield of Last Year
—Large amount of the product of the
mine during the year—150 Men Em-
ployed.

The Rossland Miner publishes a de-
tailed article on the output of the Ros-
sland camp during 1897. The figures
are most encouraging, showing
that the output reached the sum of \$3-
025,518, which is 150 per cent greater
than in 1896 and 330 per cent greater
than in 1895. The total ore shipments
were 72,240 tons, the output by months
as follows:—January, 4,877 tons;
February, 4,286; March, 4,649; April, 4-
681; May, 5,811; June, 5,894; July, 10-
682; August, 7,377; September, 6,915; Oc-
tober, 5,635; November, 6,215; Decem-
ber, 5,845. The shipments for the six
months ending June 30th were 30,008
tons, and for the six months ending De-
cember 31st were 42,232 tons. In addi-
tion to these figures must be considered
the 2,702 tons treated during the
first half of the year at the O. K. mill.
The ore smelted from the various
mines was as follows:—Le Roi, 57,437
tons; War Eagle, 7,023 tons; Columbia
& Kootenay, 2,979 tons; Iron Mask, 3-
059 tons; Jumbo, 91 tons; Jolie, 385
tons; Cliff, 917 tons; Ore Star, 1,334
tons; Red Mountain, 50 tons; O. K., 12
tons; Evening Star, 79 tons; I. L. N., 12
tons; Velvet, 10 tons; Little Joe, 15 tons;
Pooman, 120 tons; Lily May, 30 tons;
total smelted, 72,240 tons.
The ore milled was as follows:—O. K.,
2,472 tons; I. L. N., 230 tons; total mil-
led, 2,702 tons. The grand total of ore
treated was thus 75,452 tons.

WORTH OF MACHINERY.

"The Trail Creek district," says the
Miner, "is famous as having had more
heavy mining machinery installed in it
than any other mining camp of the
same stage of development in the world.
The more important plants over the
camp number 35, with a capacity of
over 200,000 tons. The cost of the com-
bined apparatus, including the O. K.
stamp mill is \$550,500."

The following shows the cost of the
power plants of the larger mines:—Le
Roi, \$150,000; War Eagle, \$300,000; O. K.,
\$200,000; Cent Star, \$50,000; Jolie, \$5-
000; Red Mountain, \$7,000; Cliff, \$50,000;
Ore Star, \$7,000; Iron Horse, \$20,000;
Columbia-Kootenay, \$25,000; Iron Mask,
\$50,000; Commander, \$50,000; Crown Point,
\$15,000; Pluto Alto, \$20,000; E. L. Lee,
\$7,000; Mayflower, \$10,000; Red Eagle, \$5-
000; Blue Bird, \$2,500; Nest Egg, \$5-
000; Homestead, \$10,000; Deer Park, \$3-
000; Silver Bell, \$2,000; City of Spokane,
\$40,000; Montana, \$4,000; White Bear, \$5-
000; St. Paul, \$1,000; Georgia, \$1,500;
Morning Star \$3,000; Great Western,
\$3,000; Hattie, \$3,000; Sunset, No. 2,
\$8,000; Lily May, \$3,000; Valley, \$2,000;
Colonna, \$3,000; Virginia, \$2,000; total
value—\$864,000.

The books of the Trail Creek Min-
ing Recorder's office show that in 1897
the certificates of work filed numbered
1,080, as against 1,211 in 1896. Each
certificate represents a minimum of
\$100, so that the amount spent on the
smaller claims of the district is at least
\$108,000 as against \$121,100 in 1896. In
addition to the probability of the district
amounting to \$250,000, the value of the
claims of improvements were obtained,
as against 93 in the previous year.

VALUE OF PRODUCTION.

The value of gold ore treated during
1897 was as follows:—57,437 tons Le Roi
ores, smelted at \$25, 3,855,075; 7,023 tons,
at \$42, 2,952,661; 15,403 tons, at \$21, 323,463;
total, \$7,130,200. The value of silver ore
treated at \$20, \$35,040; 8,216 tons, at
\$12, 98,592; total, \$133,632. The value
of copper was as follows:—57,437 tons
Le Roi, at \$6, \$344,622; 15,403 tons,
at \$4, \$61,652; total, \$406,274. Adding \$75,000
estimated silver values, the result is ob-
tained of \$832,518. In addition to
this, actually treated and there is on the
dumps of the camp 90,000 tons of ore,
averaging perhaps 90 value. This
in itself has a value of \$810,000. In
addition to the property in the out-
crop of the beginning of the year. How-
ever, including this with the other, the
grand total would be \$3,335,518. The
production of all minerals in the Trail
Creek district for the past three years
has been as follows:—1895, 72,027 tons;
1896, 124,350 tons; 1897, \$3,025,518; total,
\$4,885,000.

During the year 1897 dividends to the
value of \$425,000 were declared by the
Le Roi Company. The total value of
dividends paid up to date is as fol-
lows:—Le Roi, \$875,000; War Eagle,
\$187,000; total, \$862,000.

At present about 750 men are em-
ployed in mining and development over
the Trail Creek district, with Rossland
as their headquarters. Of these 666 are
employed in 28 of the most important
properties immediately around the city,
as follows:—

Le Roi	220
Iron Mask	30
Jumbo	30
Pluto	30
Cliff	30
Mountain View	30
Velvet	30
Ore Star	30
War Eagle	30
Monte Cristo	135
Colonna	30
Pooman	120
Evening Star	57
Little Joe	15
Blue Elephant	15
Double Standard	15
Iron Lincoln	15
Deer Park	15
Iron Colt	15
Coxey	15
Red Horse	15
Santa Rosa	15
Ripa	15
Chile Joe	15
Great Great	20
Great Republic	20
Total	666

DEVELOPMENT WORK.

Turning to development works, re-

turns from 84 properties aggregated
30,776 tons, divided into 6,707 in shafts,
inclines, winzes and upraises, and 23,909
in tunnels, crosscuts and drifts. Add-
ing 3 per cent for small properties, it
would be 71,035 tons in shafts and 25,104
tons in tunnels. Adding to that
again the prospectors' work, already
estimated as being worth \$250,000, and
the figures would stand about as fol-
lows:—11,609 tons in shafts, 23,909
tons in tunnels; total, 46,709 tons.

SYDNEY'S BIG SCENT BOTTLE.

Unique Monument in the Capital of New
South Wales.

The strangest monument in the world
exists in Sydney, Australia. The shaft
itself is not of an unusual sort, but
while it is a unique ornament to the
community in the midst of which it
stands, it is also the most precious and
the least understood of all structures
in the great southern city.

This odd spire has no inscription up-
on it, it is as plain as a month with
plains and as slightly elevated as a
hill. Factious people, who are not in
sewerage and sewer gas, call it the
"Scent Bottle." Strangers scan it
with interest at its unlettered faces, carry
their vision up its plain sides to the
pinnacle, which stands about 180 feet
above the street level, and wonder what
notable person or event it commemor-
ates. Three-fourths of the residents
of Sydney have not the remotest idea
of what this modified Cleopatra's needle
represents. This "scent bottle" com-
memorates sewer gas, and it stands as
a monument to the people who are not
killed by that vile subterranean agen-
cy.

As it has no other name, "scent bot-
tle" will serve with which to designate
it here, since the nickname somewhat
symbolizes its business. This lonely
column stands on Elizabeth street, in
a small circle around Hyde Park. Ar-
ound it are a cordon of low round-
headed posts, and the shaft is encased
in chain-link fencing, and is encased
upon which the park leader and small
boys lounge. None of these thousands
of people ever think that the tall spire
in the unique circle is the safest friend
they and the city have. Take it away,
close the 18-foot, square hole, and in
less than 24 hours the whole country
about would be

STREWN WITH WRECKAGES.

And the air filled with foul, poisonous
gases. Remove it and leave the whole
open, then, in less than a day, the lower
city would be unfit for habitation. The
great sewers of the city have their vent
in the form of this shaft, and the filth
and deadly gases, throw the latter up
through this shaft, join the main sewer,
and carry the remaining sewage on
over the high ground of Hawkesbury
sandstone to the sea.

The "scent bottle" sits over this
meeting of the waters, and draws off
the foul gases from the city below.
It is hollow, of course, and has an
opening at the top which is not per-
for the eye upon the street. The
throat, the Sydney sewer, is the great
ground city breathes and all the sev-
ers of the city are relieved. The "bot-
tle" is nearly 200 feet high rises
above any building in the city, and
the rushing waters giving the gas a
forced draft, about a mile far above
the top of the great chimney
whence this dangerous airflows, is
carried away, so that it never reaches
a human being. This perpendicular
gas sewer was built with enous
food stuff to fill a good-sized city, or to
blow Gibraltar into atoms. Since its
construction at the junction there has
not been one explosion along the line
of ramified sewers which converge to
this point. The "scent bottle" is so
tall that its base is not so dis-
guised that it is an object of beauty,
and is readily mistaken for a real
most conspicuous monument in the city.
The notable monuments in New South
Wales, of which colony Sydney is the
capital, the "scent bottle" is not
an expensive structure, and is sug-
gested to other cities in other parts of
the world as vertical lungs for the safe-
ty of sewers, and the nervous oppo-
sition who tramp thereon in the pur-
suit of other things.

GRAINS OF GOLD.

Of two evils we should always choose
the least.—Thomas a Kempis.

First find the man in yourself! if you
will inspire manliness in others.—Al-
cott.

To live a life which is a perpetual
falsehood is to suffer unknown tor-
tures.—H. W. Longfellow.

Never be afraid of what is good; the
good is always the road to what is true.
—H. W. Longfellow.

True friendship is like sound health;
the value of it seldom known until it
is lost.—Colton.

Those who make the worst use of
their time most complain of its short-
ness.—La Rochefoucauld.

The highest order that was ever in-
stituted on earth is the order of faith.
—Henry Ward Beecher.

The ingratitude of the world can nev-
er deprive us of the conscious happiness
of having acted with humanity to our-
selves.—Goldschmidt.

Truth and fidelity are the pillars of
the temple of life; when these are
broken, the fabric falls, and crushes
all to pieces.—Owen Feltham.

Flattery pleases very generally. In
the first place, it makes you think
good, but it is true, but it is not
second place whether he thinks so or
flatters, certainly thinks those whom he
flatters.—Johnson.

YOUNG FOLKS.

HELPING OTHERS.

When Mary came home from school
her mother's eyes noticed a shadow
on her usually happy face. In-
stantly in the confidence that was not
unbroken between them, she waited
for Mary to tell, in her own way and
time, what had troubled her. After
supper while they were doing up the
table, she said everything in reason-
ableness for a child, they had many
a quiet chat, that not only helped the
daughter but was also a source of
strength and comfort to the mother.

So to-night when the dishes began
to clutter about the sink, Mary said,
looking earnestly at her mother:
"Do you think that it is quite fair for
Miss Green to tell me that I must help
the No. 1 arithmetic class to get their
examples and that if I don't have time
to work my own examples it doesn't
matter?"

Mary attends school in a country
district, where all the scholars
from first to last grade, study and
recite in the same room without an
other. Miss Green, their teacher, of-
ten asks Mary, who is in arithmetic
No. 2, to help those in No. 1 with their
lessons. She is usually glad to do this,
but to-day her own lesson was espe-
cially attractive, and she did not like
to leave it. Her interest in her own
examples made it seem to her to be
unjust that she should have to leave
them to help others.

"And then, the teacher said that it
did not matter if I did not get my
examples done, I must help the No. 1
class. This mother was enough to look
for the silver lining to the cloud that
shaded her little girl. She said: 'You
have told me that you want to be a
school teacher.'"

"Yes," said Mary, "when I am old
enough to know enough."
"Well, dear, don't you know that
when you are helping the No. 1 class
to learn, you are learning for your-
self, too? You know that you do, and
that it is just as important for a teacher
to know how to teach others as
to know how to do the work herself?"

"Yes, I see it now. It does help me
to help them."
"And I will find it so all through life;
you will never reach out a hand to
help others but you will be helped and
strengthened yourself. When Jesus
gave us the example of his life, he
gave us this example of helpfulness. He
came not to be ministered unto, but
to give himself to give his life a
ransom for many. A teacher means to
serve or help others."
You have helped me to understand it
all, and I will find it so all through life;
you will never reach out a hand to
help others but you will be helped and
strengthened yourself. When Jesus
gave us the example of his life, he
gave us this example of helpfulness. He
came not to be ministered unto, but
to give himself to give his life a
ransom for many. A teacher means to
serve or help others."

THE GIRL MEN ADMIRE.

They admire the girl who is her mother's
right hand in household mat-
ters, and who is not above taking an
interest in the most trivial things in
connection with home duties. They ad-
mire the girl who has a bright,
cheerful disposition, who is an
entertaining companion and who
has ever a cheerful smile or a kind
word for those around her. They ad-
mire the girl who is always neat in her
appearance, no matter if of inexpensive
clothing, and who dresses modestly
in or in questionable taste. They ad-
mire the girl who can adapt herself
to any society, who is not affected and
who would scorn to do an action of
which the whole world might not know.
They admire the girl who in an emer-
gency can turn her hand at an emergency
from cooking the dinner to retrim-
ing an old hat. They admire the girl
who is unselfish, who can give
the pleasures of her own for the bene-
fit of others, and in such a way that
the sacrifice is never known. They ad-
mire the girl who can talk of more
important things than dress and the
latest opera or craze, and who can
listen intelligently when deeper sub-
jects are introduced. In short men ad-
mire the girl who is kind, gentle, yet
withal firm and sensible and not the
giddy, "thoroughly up to date" girl,
as so many seem to think.

KEEP YOUR MOTHER YOUNG.

Girls, do you realize that the happi-
ness, both present and future, of your
mothers is largely in your keeping?
Of course, you all acknowledge that
no dearer relationship exists than that
between a loving mother and daughter,
but do all of you believe it?

A girl cannot afford to let this
blessed slip out of her life and
yet many do, and by hasty word
and deed, even by continuous rudeness
to their mothers, cast shadows
where they could so easily bring sun-
shine.

Some mothers, wise mothers, assert
themselves; but too often the wrinkled
forehead, the weary step, and the per-
manent look of sadness so noticeable
in many mothers, come from want of
appreciation in their sons and daughters.
So many of our earthly happi-
ness is banked upon her children, for
whom she would yield her life, that
when this prop is knocked from under
her, all seems to go with it. And her
home without a competent hand,
and to certain hands, the vicissitudes of
joy and sorrow, is not the happy home
that it could be.

Much of the neglect of mothers by
their daughters comes from want of
appreciation. So many of our earthly
happiness is banked upon her children,
for whom she would yield her life, that
when this prop is knocked from under
her, all seems to go with it. And her
home without a competent hand,
and to certain hands, the vicissitudes of
joy and sorrow, is not the happy home
that it could be.

ness and advancement, and that one
her mother, who is not a noble
hearted, who weeps over the woes of
others, who is generous, and is attentive
to outside friends, even to other girls'
mothers.

How gladly we turn to the contrast-
ing picture, where the daughter is
daughter, indeed. Dear girl, as you
are the source of her happiness and beauty
of character, love, cheerfulness, and
mother, show deference to her opinion
with her, take her into your
confidence, and she will grow strong in
life, and strong and beautiful
for you. Make it your busi-
ness to be kind, gentle, and to be
in the sunshine into her soul. Let her
see that her daughter is thoughtful
and enjoys her companionship.
Urge her to go out with you, and if
she is too preoccupied with household
duties to pay much attention to her
pretensions of dress, you look out for
her; see that her hair is gracefully ar-
ranged, her gloves in order, her dress
neat and attractive, and letting her
give up everything "for the children."
Make much of her at home and abroad,
and you will find that she will be
proud of the mother whom you
have helped to keep young, as in the
sunshine of her mother's love she
blossoms with the beauty of the fall
rose, and blossoms and flourishes for
you.

SELF-RELIANCE.

Fight your own battle, my young
friends; for in this way will you rise
to the grand conviction that honor is to
be preferred to life. The craven heart-
ed never understand this. Their timi-
dity causes them to shrink from ex-
posure to pain, and to them the most
sacred of all persons is the mother. If
they run before her, or if they are
hind their mother's or her mother's
there is danger, or whenever it is im-
agined, and if they put their big bro-
thers perpetually between themselves
and assailants, they will probably not
be too soon on the subject of integrity
in future years. Youth of to-day, a
new century will be yours to-morrow.
In a few more years its light that shall
fall on our graves, will shine on you
upward and onward path. But if you
will be equal to its opportunities and
rewards, get rid of your timidity now.
Arm yourselves with courage and strike
down the evils and foes that are
about you. Be self-reliant. Spare not
yourself. Be the best. Spare not your-
selves. So that treason lurks not in
the citadel. Then apply your resources
the strength of your intellect, the vig-
or of your soul, and the unflinching
loyalty of an honest purpose against
corruption, superstition, and the de-
bauching of the public intellect. What-
ever be the cost, whatever the im-
mediate sacrifice or of suffering, your
duty, confident that God will de-
fend the right.—Dr. George C. Lorimer.

TRACKING THIEVES.

Men Who Make a Business in India of Fol-
lowing Criminals.

In India the great many thieves is
the kholi, whose name signifies "search-
er," or "tracker," and whose business
is to track criminals by their foot-
prints. These trackers are trained to
their calling from youth, and become
exceedingly expert. They are an es-
sential terror to the cattle-stealers who,
in the parts of the Punjab adjoining
the Indus and other large rivers, where
much grazing is carried on, are very
plentiful. They match their cunning
against that of the tracker, but they
are to be very clever to throw him
off the track.

One of their tricks is to catch a bul-
falo, drive it into the river, and cling-
ing to its tail, guide it in the way they
desire to go. By this means they are
quickly carried down the current, and
leave no telltale footprints. But the
ruse is not always successful, for the
reason that the tracker thinks nothing
of distance, and is likely to come
upon the tracks farther on, when the
thief is forced to leave the stream.

A good tracker will follow a thief,
yard by yard, for a hundred miles, and
count the number of his steps in the
process.

In one instance a burglar was thus
tracked until a searcher reached the
lookout of a village eighty miles from
the starting point. The burglar, who
was the man he had set out to find.
The police of that place had observed
a suspicious-looking character walking
about the village, and had promptly
locked him up. An examination
of the bundle brought to light Jew-
elry worth several hundred rupees.

One particularly good tracker was
especially useful because of his local
knowledge. He was engaged to find a
surgar who had carried off some Jew-
elry. As soon as the tracker saw the
trail he said, "It is so-and-so. Go to
his house in yonder village, and you will
find him. The officers went, and
came upon the thief in the act of break-
ing up the jewelry."

When the tracker's skill
almost condemned an innocent man.
Two sheep belonging to a government
official had been stolen, and the foot-
prints were found to lead to a man
employed to look after the public gar-
dens.

The man was arrested, but when the
track was followed up it was found to
end opposite the police barracks, where
the skins of the sheep were discovered.
The man was released, but a man
would deposit his body under the very
eyes of the police, a further investiga-
tion was made, and it was found that
proved that the sheep had been taken
by the police, who to throw the track-
ers off the scent, had stolen and worn
the gardener's boots.

DURABILITY OF IVORY.

The durability of ivory is proved by
the fact that billiard balls, which for
the sake of curiosity had been made
of ivory, and which had been in use
for many years, were found to be
doubtless many thousands of years
old, were played with for several
months by experienced players in Paris
and were found to be as good as new.
They were not made of fresh ivory, but
of old ivory, as a rule, not as tough
as fresh ivory.

STORIES OF CELEBRITIES.

SIR JOSHUA REYNOLDS AS AN EN-
TERTAINING HOST.

The Great Novelist Thackeray and His
Oyster-Dickens Tell a Story to Sustain
His Point of View.

Sir Joshua Reynolds appears to have
been as poor a manager as he was dis-
tinguished a host. Often was his din-
ner, prepared for as it was, even, re-
quired to accommodate fifteen or sixteen
for very often Sir Joshua would tempt
afternoon callers with intimations
that Johnson, or Garrick, or Gold-
smith was to dine with him. Nor was
the want of space the only difficulty;
knives, forks, plates and glasses were
often sadly missing. In the same
style was the service in the kitchen,
and it was easy to know the guests
least invited to the table. In the
house, by their never failing to call
for bread or wine in order to get them
the worst possible course was over, and
before the first course was over, and
But these trifling embarrassments,"
said Mr. Courtenay, "only served to
enhance the hilarity and the singular
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THACKERAY'S OYSTER.

Thackeray entertained a decided
curiosity as regards American oysters,
and he had been told him about their
great size.

"Although," said Mr. Fields, "we
had taken pains to procure the largest
specimens we could find, we apologized
for the extreme smallness of the
oysters, promising that we would do
better next time. Six bloated bivalves
lay before him in their shells. I noticed
that he gazed at them anxiously
with fork and knife, and then, inspired
me with an agonized look. 'How shall
I do it?'"

Described to him the simple pro-
cess by which Americans accomplish the
task. He seemed satisfied that the
fact was feasible, selected the smallest
oyster and then bowed his head. All
eyes were upon the great British
author to watch the effect of the new
sensation. Opening his mouth with
the usual "Aha!" moment, when
all was over. I shall never forget
the look of despair he cast at the other
five over-occupied shells. I broke
the stillness by asking him how he
felt.

"Profoundly grateful," he gasped,
and as though I had swallowed a small
baby."

DICKENS'S POINT OF VIEW.

Upon one occasion Charles Dickens
was upholding the theory that what-
ever trials and difficulties mightstand
in a man's path, there was always
something to be thankful for.

"Let me, in proof, relate a tale,"
said the great story writer. "Two
men were to be hanged at Newgate
for murder. The morning and hour
approached, the prisoners were pinioned,
and the ropes adjusted about the
neck. As the thousands of morbidly
curious spectators stood watching
in front of the scaffold when that
instant, an infuriated crowd, pass-
ing in the street, broke its ropes and
charged the mob, scattering the
people everywhere with its horns. Where-
upon one of the condemned men turned
to his equally unflinching companion
and observed quietly, 'I say, Jack,
it's a good thing we ain't in that
crowd!'"

HUGARTH'S ABSENCE OF MIND.

The celebrated Hogarth was one of
the most absurd-minded of men. Soon
after he had set up his carriage he had
occasion to pay a visit to the lord-
mayor. When he went, the weather
was fine, but he was detained by busi-
ness, and in the meantime a violent
rain storm came up. Being left
alone, he returned by a different
route from that which he had entered,
he immediately began to call for a hack-
ney coach, but one could not be pro-
cured. Hogarth determined to brave
the storm and actually reached his
home in Leicesterfield without a
thought of his carriage until Mrs.
Hogarth, seeing him so wet and hur-
ried, asked him where he had left
it.

AN EXPERT BORE.

Barthe, the French dramatic author,
was remarkable for his selfishness. He
was so completely wrapped up in the
consciousness of his own importance as
to be often strangely insensible of the
wants and woes of others. Calling
upon a friend whose opinion he wis-
hed to get, he found him dying, but
notwithstanding, proposed to read his
play.

"Consider," said the man, "I have not
more than an hour to live."
"Ay," replied Barthe, "that will occupy
only half that time."

POLITE HINTS.

William Dean Howells's father, who
emigrated to Ohio half a century and
more ago, used this formula to get rid
of an intrusive visitor, who had worn
out his welcome. He would be called
out on some business and would say
to the guest:

"I suppose you will not be here
when I return, so I wish you good-
bye."

This was not bad, except in compar-
ison with the superb stratagem ascribed
to the great Smith, who, when he was
genies—as that he used to say
in his family prayer after break-
fast:

WINTER WRINKLES.

"Speaking of the nonsensical,"
said the cheerful idiot, "is no less
in no less dresser, than in no less
this morning."

The Poet—"Which of my poems do
you think is the best?" She—"I haven't
read that one yet."

She—"Mr. Footsighly doesn't look
like an actor does he?" He—"No, he
doesn't look like one either."

He—"My heart is in fire with love
for you!" She, coldly—"Well, as here
is no insurance you hat pester put
out fire out."

Judge—"Why did you eat the com-
plaints' turkeys?" Colored Prisoner
—"He had no chickens, your Honor."

Miss Ethel—"I wonder if that gentle-
man can hear me when I sing?" "Of
course he can. He is closing the
window already."

"Those new neighbors seem to be
great borrowers." "Borrowed one
thing, didn't they? They gave a dinner
they borrowed our family album."

AT THE HOSPITAL WINDOW

Ain't there a shiny
 Shinin' in the sun?
 Shinin' an shinin',
 Oh, ever so high!
 Let's lay here, Billy,
 An' count 'em an' see
 How many's a winkin'
 At you an' at me.

 Ain't many yet; we'll
 Git over it soon;
 Ketch em a couple
 An' start with the moon,
 One, two, three, four, five.
 How these side are you an'
 This side or that side?
 Goo' looky! It's gone!

 Cloud has come over.
 Wait now; it'll shine
 Just in a minute—
 'Tis here! This side is mine.
 Why, there's a lot more
 Come out since. Let's see—
 This is all over.
 Begin—one, two, three.

 Looky there, Billy!
 See that thing? Whoo-ee!
 That's a good one!

Flyin' across there—
 Say, what can it be?
 Shootin' an sizzlin'—
 I'll bet somethin's wrong.
 That there thing's tail is
 Half a mile long.
 There! It's all gone now.
 Why, Billy, I swan,

Millions have come from
Where that un has gone.
Pshaw! We can't do it.
We never can have

Billy—say—tell me,
 Now, who do you s'pose
 Gave the stars in
 'Then all the night goes
 But—ho must start—work!
 After afore—day,
 Would he could—never
 Put all of—em 'way.
 —Carl Smith in Ladies' Home Journal.

THE NEMO'S GHOST

BY CHARLES B. LEWIS.

Would you believe that so late as the
 year 1889 a fine clipper ship had to be
 for a song and converted into a coal barge
 because a ghost aboard which had been
 a bad name? Such was the case.

The Nemo was a Clyde built ship
 was launched in 1870. She was built

who was the owner of six other ships, voyaging to India or Australia. As a rule two or three men are killed and as many

more badly injured in the building a rigging of a ship, but in the case of Nemo no man met with the scratch of a finger. The launch was the fairest score of ships from the same yard, and when fully rigged and ready for her maiden voyage the new creation was said to be the handsomest vessel hailing from the great port. A valuable cargo was ready for her, and the owner had the luck to secure a skipper in the person of Captain Hinchey who had commanded half a dozen different ships and never met with a serious accident.

We got to sea one day in a way to please all hands, and inside of 24 hours we found the craft to be a witch for sailing. We

she got settled down to her pace, she shed the speed of a steamer and carried favorable winds for the first seven days. Then, one night at 10 o'clock, the breeze died away until the Nemo lost steerage way, and it was at 11 o'clock that the ghost was first heard of. A man named

Charles Jones was on watch on the boat at that hour. He was a sober, dignified man, and the best seaman of the crew.

third mate of the ship I had the watch that time, while the captain and the other mates were asleep and seven or eight men were lounging about on the fore and main decks. Of a sudden Jones screamed out and came running aft in a state of great

excitement. He was in such a state of alarm that it was five minutes before he could relate his story. He was pacing

and fro, he said, keeping a bright look and not thinking of anything in particular when he suddenly found something walking beside him. He heard no step sound, but a "something" stood shoulder to shoulder with him. It wasn't exactly a man, nor yet was it a shadow. The or felt its breath on his cheek and turned to seize it, but the "something" laugh-

at him and glided away. I was greatly provoked with the man and charged him with having slept on his post, though

I knew that I did him injustice in this. It was a cloudy night, with the moon breaking through now and then, and I contented that his "something" was but a shadow and ordered him back to his post. No long further happened that night, and the next morning the captain called the man aft and gave him to understand that if he saw or felt any more ghostly visitations, he was to report them to me, and that it would be bad for him. The crew would tell the matter over and side with Jones, but that anything further would be so-called "something" no man believed. Four nights later and two hours after midnight, while the ship was making

good eight knots per hour and everything was going smoothly, as the first mate had the deck the entire ship was aroused.

the deck, the entire ship was aroused by something which happened in the deck house. There were eight or nine men

on deck went in to his chest to get a ph of tobacco. The slush lamp had be

turned down, so that the place was but dimly lighted. The man was bending over his chest when something seized him in clammy embrace and forced him to the floor. He thought it was one of the crew playing him a trick, but he scrambled up to find them all in their bunks and to see a shadow glide away. The sailor set up a shout, the watch below turned out, and presently everybody was on deck, and excitement reigned fore and aft. In return for his story the sailor got a dose of rope and, though after flogging he still maintained

On the quarter deck we explained it away by saying that the man was nervous, but

every man forward believed his statement and was satisfied that the ship was haunted. We thought it the best policy to treat the affair with contempt, and, although we could not help but notice how the men hung together in pairs after night had come, we gave the matter no attention. When ten days had gone by and nothing more had turned up, we looked upon the ghost as a good joke, and the two men who had seen it were the butt of ridicule. At 1 o'clock of a certain morning, the breeze being small and the night without a moon, though fairly light, the first mate

stood looking to windward over the port quarter at what he believed was a sail. His watch were all wide awake, and he could

near the footsteps of the man on lookout as he paced to and fro. The man had been standing still for perhaps five minutes when he felt a hand laid on his arm, a icy breath on his cheek, and as he wheeled about there was the sound of low laughter. To his surprise and consternation no one was visible. His impression as he turned

THE NEWS IN ANTICIPATION.

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CANADA.

There were 1,393 arrests in Hamilton last year, against 1,821 in 1896.

Winnipeg's new directory gives the city a population of 45,000, an increase of 5,000 in the year.

The Wentworth County Council has 80 applicants for the position of Deputy Clerk.

London now embraces 4,478 acres, according to City Clerk Kingston's new land-book of 1900.

It is announced that the Grand Trunk Railway will shortly establish agencies at Winnipeg and other Manitoba points.

Returns of the Dominion land sales for the year 1897 show the sales to have been \$104,700, in 1896 they were \$77,760.

The Minister of Justice has fixed the trial of Mrs. Sternman for the May Assizes, which will be held by Judge Robertson.

It is reported at Winnipeg that a committee of the Commons will be appointed to enquire into the elevator system throughout the Dominion.

The G. T. R. authorities deny the report that the railway will shortly take over the carriage business from the Shedd and Healey companies.

The steamer Commonwealth, abandoned off the coast near Victoria, B. C., has been picked up by the coaster Wilga.

Since the death of County Clerk Council at Hamilton no one knows the combination of the safe in his office, and all attempts to open it have failed.

Ninety applications have been made to the Department of the Interior for dredging locations on the Yukon, Stewart and other rivers in the Yukon district.

The Government will place over 80,000 whitefish in Lake Ontario, Erie, Huron, and St. Clair next summer. The eggs are now being hatched in the Sandwich hatchery.

The C. P. R. has just issued a map of the route and connecting shipping routes to the Yukon gold fields, Alaska, Klonkide, and the northwestern mining territories.

The Welland Aqueduct Power Company has been organized, with a capital stock of \$24,000, to supply electricity for light, heat and power, and water-power for manufacturing.

W. F. McCreary, immigration Commissioner, who has been at Regina, states that the records show that in 1897 about 10,000 immigrants came to Manitoba and the territories over the C.P.R. main line.

Application will be made to Parliament for an act to connect a shipping company to construct a railway by steam or electricity or other motive power from Lake Huron to a point in or near Grand Bend on Lake Huron.

The St. Jean Baptiste Church on Rachel street, Montreal was destroyed by fire on Saturday, and the presbytery adjoining was seriously damaged. The loss will be \$175,000 or \$200,000.

Mr. T. White, C. E., of St. Thomas, has left for the west to commence his duties as chief engineer of construction of the new railway, Mr. J. H. Kennedy, C. E., and Mr. E. E. Welch, surveyors.

Mr. John Bell, chief counsel for the Grand Trunk, gives notice that an application will be made to Parliament for authority to incorporate the Windsor & Detroit Union Bridge Company for the purpose of constructing a bridge over the Detroit River.

The Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, has been giving consideration to the question of improvements in the stock storage arrangements for next season, and will, it is predicted, give a weekly service to both Liverpool and Glasgow such as are now being to Bristol. The accommodation in many of the boats will also be improved.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The new battleship Implacable is to cost over £1,000,000.

General Sir Daniel Lyons, Constable of the Tower of London, since 1890, is dead.

Mr. Gladstone is suffering severely with neuralgia, and spent Sunday in bed.

London police have stopped the form of street advertising by girls carrying placards.

The engineers in Great Britain have voted in favor of accepting the employers' terms.

Gen. Sir Fred Middleton, who commanded the forces of Canada during the last Northwest rebellion, is dead.

Mr. John Laird, the shipbuilder of Birkenhead, is dead. He built the Alabama, the famous southern blockade runner.

Mr. Herbert Spencer is in exceedingly feeble health, from an affection of the heart, and has removed from London to Brighton permanently.

The action of Richard Croker's brother, manager of the Cork and South Coast railway, in arbitrarily dismissing a signal-man, has provoked a strike which threatens to spread throughout all the lines.

Jabez Spencer Balfour, now serving 14 years for fraud in connection with the Laboratory Group, was examined in the day. The convict was in ill-health. He had been let the country in 1892 owing to the advice of those who ought to have known better.

UNITED STATES.

There is no change in the New England cotton mill strike.

San Francisco grain operators say there will be good prices for wheat this year.

A terrific thunderstorm at St. Louis, Mo., on Tuesday killed a man, woman, and a boy.

A shipload of cattle arrived at New York on Monday from Texas—the first by the water route.

PASS THE TELLER MOTION.

It is reported that Italy has presented to the United States a proposal for a treaty of commerce.

It is reported in New York that the New York Central and the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern railways will unite.

Eugene E. Durr was relieved while on his way to the scaffold at Dallas, Texas, on Friday evening, by a decisive vote of 47 to 33, passed the Teller concurrent resolution. The resolution is a practical reaffirmation of that of Stanley Matthews, in 1878, and is as follows:

"That all the bonds of the United States issued or authorized to be issued under the said Acts of Congress heretofore recited, are payable, principal and interest, at the option of the Government of the United States, in silver dollars of the coinage of the United States, containing 12 1/2 grains each of standard silver, and that to restore to its coinage such silver coins as a legal tender in payment of said bonds, principal and interest, is not in violation of public faith or in derogation of rights of the public creditor."

All efforts to amend the resolution were voted down by majorities ranging from 5 to 29. Upon the final passage of the resolution, some Republicans, including Hon. Charles F. Smith, of Montana; Chandler, of New Hampshire; Clark, of Wyoming; Pritchard, of Colorado; and others, declared they did not believe the resolution committed those who supported it to the free and unlimited coinage of silver.

Two tow boats foundered off New York in a heavy gale. Crews of one were rescued, and the other two other men alone fell to the ground. All will likely die.

While agents and lawyers were searching the world over for Edward Quinsich, reported to be the millionaire of Budapest's greatest banker, the object of their quest occupied a position of the helms to the city of Chicago. His death is recorded, with a pauper's number opposite it, on the books of the asylum.

The finding of a gold nugget of 74 cents is reported in the Yukon.

Prince Bismarck's condition is not serious according to his physician.

The tonnage at Havana over foreign newspapers has been abolished.

Spain will ask the next Parliament to vote \$100,000,000 strengthening the navy.

It is said that Italy will have to import 10,000,000 bushels of wheat before their harvest.

Political leaders at Madrid have pessimistic views of the Cuban war, and declare that the insurgents have made their harvest.

It is understood at Madrid that Gen. Weyler will be sentenced to two months' imprisonment and then pardoned.

The French Ambassador to Germany, Marquis de Noailles, is to receive the Grand Cross of the Order of the Red Eagle from the Emperor.

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The statements regarding China's intention to close the ports to the commerce of the world are practically correct.

Russia will make experiments to find means to connect her north coast and Siberia by crossing the Arctic sea.

An Italian warship is about to sail for Hayti, to enforce Italy's demands for the treatment of the Italian sailors in Hayti have been subjected.

General Sir Herbert Kitchener has telegraphed the officers at Cairo that it is needless that they should ascend the Nile to the Derivatives and the ice blockades has again closed the harbour at St. John's, Nfld. Absolutely the worst Arctic loss in years are reported from the northern coast.

It is reported from Rome that out of 400 applications for the annulment of marriage, 100 are granted by the Congregation of Cardinals granted but six.

Herr Trojans, editor of the Kladderadatsch, Berlin, has been sentenced to two months' imprisonment in a fortress for his majesty, in cartooning Emperor William.

It is reported in London that Emperor Franz Joseph of Austria will shortly announce the betrothal of the Archduchess Elizabeth to the King of Spain.

The appeal of Capt. Blitchford formerly aide-de-camp to Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria, from the sentence of death for the murder of his mistress, and the other men in the plot, Noveltch, have been refused.

Russia is about to present a note to Turkey demanding payment for the whole balance of the indemnity of the Russo-Turkish war amounting to \$28,000,000, with a view of making the Sultan more docile in the settlement of the Cretan question.

The Berlin correspondent says it learns that Russia and England have arrived at an agreement, whereby England has consented to drop her demand for the opening of Tientsin as a free port, and Russia waives further opposition to British control of the Chinese Sea customs.

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THE UNITED STATES SENATE REFUSE TO AMEND THE RESOLUTION.

A despatch from Washington, D. C., says—After a debate, which occupied the greater part of the week the Senate on Friday evening, by a decisive vote of 47 to 33, passed the Teller concurrent resolution. The resolution is a practical reaffirmation of that of Stanley Matthews, in 1878, and is as follows:

"That all the bonds of the United States issued or authorized to be issued under the said Acts of Congress heretofore recited, are payable, principal and interest, at the option of the Government of the United States, in silver dollars of the coinage of the United States, containing 12 1/2 grains each of standard silver, and that to restore to its coinage such silver coins as a legal tender in payment of said bonds, principal and interest, is not in violation of public faith or in derogation of rights of the public creditor."

All efforts to amend the resolution were voted down by majorities ranging from 5 to 29. Upon the final passage of the resolution, some Republicans, including Hon. Charles F. Smith, of Montana; Chandler, of New Hampshire; Clark, of Wyoming; Pritchard, of Colorado; and others, declared they did not believe the resolution committed those who supported it to the free and unlimited coinage of silver.

Two tow boats foundered off New York in a heavy gale. Crews of one were rescued, and the other two other men alone fell to the ground. All will likely die.

While agents and lawyers were searching the world over for Edward Quinsich, reported to be the millionaire of Budapest's greatest banker, the object of their quest occupied a position of the helms to the city of Chicago. His death is recorded, with a pauper's number opposite it, on the books of the asylum.

The finding of a gold nugget of 74 cents is reported in the Yukon.

Prince Bismarck's condition is not serious according to his physician.

The tonnage at Havana over foreign newspapers has been abolished.

Spain will ask the next Parliament to vote \$100,000,000 strengthening the navy.

It is said that Italy will have to import 10,000,000 bushels of wheat before their harvest.

Political leaders at Madrid have pessimistic views of the Cuban war, and declare that the insurgents have made their harvest.

It is understood at Madrid that Gen. Weyler will be sentenced to two months' imprisonment and then pardoned.

The French Ambassador to Germany, Marquis de Noailles, is to receive the Grand Cross of the Order of the Red Eagle from the Emperor.

British records show that 10,000,000 bushels of wheat were imported into the country during the year.

The statements regarding China's intention to close the ports to the commerce of the world are practically correct.

Russia will make experiments to find means to connect her north coast and Siberia by crossing the Arctic sea.

An Italian warship is about to sail for Hayti, to enforce Italy's demands for the treatment of the Italian sailors in Hayti have been subjected.

General Sir Herbert Kitchener has telegraphed the officers at Cairo that it is needless that they should ascend the Nile to the Derivatives and the ice blockades has again closed the harbour at St. John's, Nfld. Absolutely the worst Arctic loss in years are reported from the northern coast.

It is reported from Rome that out of 400 applications for the annulment of marriage, 100 are granted by the Congregation of Cardinals granted but six.

Herr Trojans, editor of the Kladderadatsch, Berlin, has been sentenced to two months' imprisonment in a fortress for his majesty, in cartooning Emperor William.

It is reported in London that Emperor Franz Joseph of Austria will shortly announce the betrothal of the Archduchess Elizabeth to the King of Spain.

The appeal of Capt. Blitchford formerly aide-de-camp to Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria, from the sentence of death for the murder of his mistress, and the other men in the plot, Noveltch, have been refused.

Russia is about to present a note to Turkey demanding payment for the whole balance of the indemnity of the Russo-Turkish war amounting to \$28,000,000, with a view of making the Sultan more docile in the settlement of the Cretan question.

The Berlin correspondent says it learns that Russia and England have arrived at an agreement, whereby England has consented to drop her demand for the opening of Tientsin as a free port, and Russia waives further opposition to British control of the Chinese Sea customs.

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About the House.

THE THREE GOOD BYES.

They stand in the glare of the lighted
 With clasped hands sorrow and love
 have met.
 The first farewell, two hearts with
 grief run o'er.
 No less can be until they meet once
 more.
 By a subtle move the light grows dim.
 Up through the shadows come a prayer
 for him.
 With a smothered sigh, a sob, a cry.
 One lingering kiss, and then good-bye.
 They stand at peace within the altar
 now.
 With clasped hands and happy love-
 lit brow.
 And with the music which steals on
 air perfumed.
 There's a mingling of roses and voice
 of angels tuned.
 The world is one great altar to them.
 so fair and bright.
 Darkness can never come where there
 is no night.
 So starting on life's journey they look
 back at you as if to say:
 Amid a burst of sunshine, wave their
 hands and say Good-bye.
 They stand when the years have come
 and fled.
 With clasped hands and eyes with tears
 grown red.
 Again the light is dim, their sun is
 setting fast.
 Only in memory now lives all the hap-
 py past.
 Content in silence, with longing eyes
 they wait.
 For the coming of the Master, and
 opening of the gate.
 Another future lies before them, but
 trusting Him, they try.
 While faintly as an echo, we hear their
 last Good-bye.

THINGS GOOD TO EAT.

Potato Soup—Pare three medium-
 sized potatoes, cut in dice and cook in
 a pint of salted water. When tender
 add a quart of rich sweet milk, a lump
 of butter, salt and pepper and a ta-
 ble-spoonful of flour smoothed in a
 little cold milk. Let boil up nicely,
 stirring constantly, and add two well-
 beaten eggs; continue stirring for two
 minutes, and serve hot with crisp
 crackers, or what is better, with small
 squares of toasted bread. Is delicious.
 Bread may be toasted in the oven as
 scraps accumulate, and kept in glass
 jars to use as need for soups, stews,
 etc.

Baked Creamed Potatoes—Pare the
 potatoes, and slice very thinly. Put a
 layer in a baking dish, season with
 salt, pepper and bits of butter and dust
 lightly with flour. Add another layer
 of potatoes and continue until the
 dish is full. Add enough rich sweet
 milk to show through the potatoes, but
 not enough to really cover them; cover
 the dish closely and bake in a slow
 oven until tender. Remove the cover
 and brown lightly. Serve in small dish.
 Breaded Bacon—Cut bacon, or other
 fat, salt pork in neat thin slices
 and freeze by placing in cold water
 over the fire. When it acquires a mod-
 erate drain, and dip each slice separat-
 ily into well beaten eggs, then roll in
 fine bread crumbs. Fry in deep fat.
 ment until crumbs have absorbed the
 eggs, then dip again in the beaten
 egg and roll in fine crumbs. Have
 ready a little very hot fat in a deep
 pan and fry quickly, turning until
 both sides are delicately browned;
 careful that it does not scorch.
 Cream Dainties—Line a pan with
 with short, crisp pie-crust, pressing
 the edges with a fork to give a crink-
 ly appearance. Bake in a quick oven.
 When cold fill with the following cream:
 Place one pint of rich milk where
 it will boil. Beat one cup sugar,
 one-half cup butter, and one egg. Beat
 whites of two well-beaten eggs, stir
 into milk when it boils, and flavor
 with lemon or vanilla. To this add a
 martingale and set in the oven a mo-
 ment to harden. Just before serving
 add a fresh strawberry or bit of
 bright jelly to the centre of each.

BREAKFAST DISHES

No breakfast is complete without
 some form of cereal and fruit. They
 will preserve the health of the body and
 strengthen the brain in its nervous ac-
 tivity. Whole or steel-cut oats and
 whole meat, contain the essential ele-
 ments for the perfect nourishment of
 the body. Cereals, to be beneficial,
 should be thoroughly cooked and also
 thoroughly masticated. Of the break-
 fast cereals steel-cut oats heads the
 list. Any of the wheat-grain prepara-
 tions are good. After these come the
 rolled wheat, and barley, and rice
 preparations. Rice is easily digested
 and is good for children. It must be
 served with milk.

Oatmeal should be put to cook in
 the evening if a hard cold range is
 used, should be brought to a boiling
 point, and, if possible, kept at this tem-
 perature all night; it will then be
 ready to serve in the morning. If gas
 ranges are used, cook the oatmeal
 while you are preparing dinner, and
 again while preparing supper, then it
 can be reheated at breakfast time.
 Cover the kettle closely and do not
 stir, as stirring seems to destroy the
 flavor of oatmeal. Cracked wheat
 should be cooked in the same way as
 oatmeal and should be served with
 cream.

Honny grits, being rich in fatty
 matter, are usually cooked in milk.
 Soak over night, then cook in milk
 in a boiler, without stirring, until ten-
 der; this will require about one hour.
 Put one quart of water into a cup-
 pan and add half a teaspoonful of
 salt, when it boils rapidly sprinkle in
 a cup of wheat, stirring all the while.
 Let it boil about five minutes
 then push to back of stove, where it
 will remain about twenty minutes if
 it is then ready to serve. Rice should
 be cooked in milk and will require about
 three-quarters of an hour for prepa-
 ration. Cornmeal may take the place
 of cereals and being baked, it must be
 thoroughly masticated. Hot breads,
 such as ginger-cakes and quick-lake-

ed muffins are more difficult of diges-
 tion than the underdone cereals.
 Fruits are more appetizing and, per-
 haps, more easily digested in the morn-
 ing, whether before or after breakfast
 must depend upon the eater. Grapes
 and oranges may be served before the
 cereal. Baked apples, peaches, figs,
 dates, or stewed fruits at the close of
 the breakfast. Acid fruits should be
 at times be used sparingly, especially
 by persons inclined to rheumatic trou-
 bles.

AN IMPORTANT CASE.

A Pedlar Sent to Prison for Represent-
 ing an Imitation Pill to be the Same
 as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills.

A Far-Seeing Decision.
 Montreal, Jan. 24, 1898.—A case of
 more than ordinary interest to the
 public came before Judge Lafontaine
 here to-day, the fact being as follows:
 On a case last night H. B. Migner
 had been going about peddling a pill
 which he represents as being the same
 as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. The
 Williams Medicine Co. placed the mat-
 ter in the hands of Detective Haynes,
 who at this time secretly followed Migner
 had collected sufficient evidence
 to warrant the arrest of Migner
 on a charge of obtaining money
 under false pretenses. Migner
 had left Montreal, going to St.
 John, N.B. On his arrival at that city
 he was arrested by the local police,
 and an official sent to bring him back
 here. He was brought before Judge
 Lafontaine this morning on two
 charges, and pleaded guilty to both.
 It was pointed out that his offense
 was a grave one and left him liable to
 a term of imprisonment. The
 counsel for the Dr. Williams' Medicine
 Co. stated that his clients did not
 wish to press for severe punishment
 at this time, they only wished to
 establish the fact that representing an
 imitation pill to be the same as Dr.
 Williams' Pink Pills was a crime which
 left the perpetrator liable to a lengthy
 imprisonment. On one charge the
 judge then imposed a sentence of ten
 days in jail, and on the other charge
 of two days in jail without the option
 of a fine.
 This decision is likely to have a far-
 reaching effect, as it seems to establish
 the principle that substitutes and
 those who sell imitations representing
 them to be the same as Dr. Williams'
 pills are liable under the criminal
 code, which is in force all over the
 Dominion, and to the extent of no
 doubt, to a considerable extent, put an
 end to this nefarious business, as it is
 evident from the fact that the Dr.
 Williams' Pink Pills was a crime which
 left the perpetrator liable to a lengthy
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LEFT BEHIND IN LONDON CABS.

The Many Curious Things Found in Them
 Last Year.

No cab has 38,025 articles were found
 in cabs etc. London last year, and
 more than 2,955 people left their purses
 and money behind them during that
 period. How any one could leave his
 watch behind him in "somewhat puzz-
 ling" but 206 people achieved this feat.
 Bags containing valuables numbered 2-
 850, while among other "uncon-
 sidered trifles" were 811 opera and field glasses
 and 257 rugs. There is food for much
 thought in the fact that one seems more
 likely to forget an umbrella than a
 walking-stick, for the walking-stick
 only totted up a beggarly 816, while the
 umbrellas reached the handsome total
 of 17,020.
 But imagine people leaving behind
 their false teeth! Had they wished
 to dispose of them they might have
 left them at the dentist's, or thrown
 them over one of the bridges, or pawned
 them, and then as for the other things,
 one can only marvel at the forgetful-
 ness shown in leaving them in cabs.
 The wonderman, however, do not
 think of how the "How on earth" and
 passenger forget that he had a bicycle
 under his charge and who was the
 perpetrator who forgot the perambulator!
 These mail-carts, what disappointment
 their loss must have caused to some
 of the young ladies who were riding
 sewing-machines—what can the women
 have been doing to lose sight of them?
 Seven cabs containing birds also found
 a home in Scotland Yard during the
 year, besides several dogs and even cats
 not to speak of one live rabbit!

AN EGG-JOKE ROLLING.

At a small social gathering the other
 night somebody started the egg joke
 rolling.

Did you ever hear the story of the
 hard-boiled egg? It is seldomly inquired
 of some one across the table.
 No, was the innocent answer.
 It's hard to beat, said the joker with
 much gravity.
 You can't help smiling at these
 things, and after the laugh died down
 somebody else sprang this:
 Did anybody hear about the egg in
 the coffee?
 No, said an obliging somebody.
 That settles it, remarked the funny
 man, "the egg is in the coffee."
 Of course there was another laugh,
 and then a brief silence. It looked as
 if the egg jokes had been exhausted.
 But presently a little woman at one
 end of the table inquired in a high so-
 norous voice if anybody present had
 heard the story of the egg.
 The guests shook their heads, and one
 man said:
 "I don't know."
 "Two bad, she said."

HOW IT LOOKED.

Count Spagetti—I have come to ask
 for your daughter's hand in marriage.
 I love her.
 Mr. Commontock—But what makes
 you think I don't!

THE FRENCH WAY.

Out of 34 storms which reached the
 French shores in 1896, all but three
 were foretold by the central meteorolo-
 gical office.

CATCHING A SHARK.

Thrilling Ride of Three Boys in a
 Boat.

A thrilling hunt for a man-eating
 shark took place in the harbor of Key
 West, Florida, last week and came very
 near resulting fatally for those engaged.

The shark was first seen swimming
 in shallow water, and three boys start-
 ed out in a rowing boat to capture it. They
 were only a few minutes out when they
 managed to get close to the shark
 without attracting attention, and
 planted the harpoon securely in its
 back.

The big fish plunged forward when it
 felt the iron, and in a moment the boat
 was spinning through the water like an
 express train. Several attempts were
 made to loosen the rope, but in vain.
 Meanwhile they hesitated to cut the
 rope, for fear they might lose the shark.
 The boat was towed in this fashion
 more than an hour. At times the shark
 would turn so suddenly as to greatly en-
 danger the boat, though keeping all
 the time in comparatively shallow water.
 The boys began to shout for help, and
 a yacht was sent to them. Just as the
 yacht came alongside the shark made a
 dive for the boat and tore a big hole in
 the side. As the boat filled the yacht
 came up and took off the boys, and the
 shark was towed to a safe place. It measured
 15 feet in length.

Shattered Nerves.

THE MOST PREVALENT TROUBLE OF
 THE CENTURY.

It Attacks People of Both Sexes and All
 Ages—A Complete Breakdown Follows
 Unless Prompt Measures for Relief Are
 Taken.

From the Newmarket Era.
 Probably the most prevalent trouble
 on this continent to-day is nervous
 prostration. How frequently we hear
 this term and yet how few appear to
 realize its full deadly import. Nervous
 prostration is to be found among peo-
 ple of all walks in life, and among
 children as well as adults. Among
 young people it is often the result of
 our high pressure system of education.
 Among those of more mature years it
 may be due to the cares of business, or
 to overwork, or to worries in the home.
 But whatever the cause the inevitable
 result is a breaking down both men-
 tally and physically unless prompt
 measures are taken to stay the rav-
 ages of the disease and restore the
 shattered nerve forces to their
 normal condition. One such suffer-
 er who has regained health gives
 her experience for the benefit of those
 less fortunate. Miss Edith Draper,
 who resides with her parents in Bel-
 haven, Ont., is a young lady who is
 very popular among her circle of ac-
 quaintances, and they all rejoice at
 her restoration to health. To re-
 porter who called upon her she gave
 the following particulars concerning
 her illness and cure. "You know,"
 said the young lady, "how ill I was
 last winter when my friends feared
 that I was going into a decline. In the
 early part of the winter both father
 and mother had been attacked with
 grippe, and I had to look after them
 as well as attend to the household.
 The strain was more than I could
 stand, and the result was I fell ill.
 The doctor who was called in said
 my trouble was nervous
 prostration, and that it would take con-
 siderable time for me to recover.
 Under his care I was after a short
 while able to leave my room and go
 about the house, but my nerves did
 not seem to regain their strength.
 My limbs would twitch as though I
 had St. Vitus' dance, I was subject to
 headaches, had no regular appetite
 and was so weak that I could scarcely
 go about. I had been advised to try
 Pink Pills and one day spoke to the
 doctor about them. He felt and said he
 believed they would do me good. I got
 three boxes and by the time I had
 taken them I got a further supply. By
 using them they were helping me
 the time I had taken six boxes I was
 feeling stronger and better than I had
 for years. All the twitching in my
 limbs had disappeared and my nerves
 seemed as strong as ever they had
 been. I still took the pills for a
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 that you are about to be married, you
 should endeavor to become more
 familiar with the details of housekeep-
 ing.

Daughter—That's just what I'm do-
 ing. Ma, I learned to-day that chew-
 ing gum is a splendid thing for mend-
 ing old tinware.

HE WAS SAFE.

Chappy—Aw, weally, I'm getting un-
 easy. They're applying science to ev-
 erything nowadays. They're now
 trying to invent a machine to tell what
 a fellow's thinking.

Maud—You have no reason to be dis-
 turbed.

Satisfaction is a practice, not a theory with

Troubled Sleep.

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 "It is with much pleasure that I tes-
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 tage. It goes right to the root of the
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We are sorry that owing to damages by fire we were compelled to keep closed till Friday of this week, and wish to apologize to our customers for any inconvenience they were put to.

Next week we hope to be in full swing again.

Respectfully yours,

CHAS. E. PARKER.

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PERSONALS.

Mr. Mick Gibson is spending a couple of weeks in our midst.

Mr. John M. Bygott, of Peterboro, was in town on Monday last.

Mr. Ambrose Duford, of Foxboro, was in town on Wednesday last.

Mrs. Donald Paterson and family are visiting in Stirling—Belleville Ontario.

Miss Frederic, of Foxboro, is visiting at W. R. Warren's.

Mr. John Johnston of Hastings is spending a week with relatives in town.

Miss Munkle has removed her Millinery Stock from the Conley Block to the store between H. & J. Warren's and S. Holden's.

Mr. Geo. Ferguson is home on a visit. He arrived on Thursday last, and participated in the Masonic "At Home."

Mr. and Mrs. John McKee of St. Thomas, and Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McKee of Ivanhoe, were visiting in town on Tuesday last. Mr. and Mrs. John McKee have been visiting relatives in Hastings for the past month, and will likely spend another month renewing old acquaintances in this district.

Thomas Nutty of Rawdon, Que., was found guilty of the murder of three sailors on a brother, and sentenced to hang on May 29.

The action of W. H. Ponton, the young ex-bank clerk, against the Dominion Bank for \$50,000 damages for alleged false arrest in connection with the bank robbery last summer, comes on for trial at the Napanee Assizes in April. E. G. Porter, Ponton's solicitor, denies that the case will be settled, and says any rumor of a compromise of \$10,000 is unfounded.

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RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

Trains call at Stirling station as follows:

GOING WEST. GOING EAST.

Mail..... 8:15 a.m. Mail..... 2:30 p.m.

Express..... 8:30 a.m. Express..... 3:30 p.m.

The Stirling News-Argus.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1898.

LOCAL MATTERS.

Wanted--At Once.

400 Men to settle up their past due notes and accounts with the Stirling Foundry under further notice.

W. J. GRAHAM, Prop.

The minutes of village Council have been unavoidably to be laid over till next week.

Don't fail to hear Dr. White at Bethel Church on Friday evening, Feb. 11th, subject "Temperance."

The brethren of Stirling Lodge, No. 289, I. O. O. F., intend having an oyster supper on Wednesday evening next, the 16th inst.

Mr. Wm. Montgomery is digging the foundation for a wagon shop at the west end of the centre bridge. The shop will be 28 x 40 feet, with the long way facing the street.

The regular monthly meeting of the Stirling Horticultural Society will be held in the High School building on Tuesday evening next, the 15th inst., commencing at 7:30 o'clock.

Rev. Mr. Burns is attending the Conference in Queen's University this week. Mr. Fee, a student of Queen's, takes the services in St. Andrew's Church, Stirling and Huntingdon, next Sabbath.

A public meeting in the interest of Mr. Allen, the conservative candidate in this riding will be held in the Music Hall on Friday evening, the 11th inst. See advertisement in another column.

Mrs. Robert Wilson, of Belleville, and daughter of the late M. Meagher, of Springbrook, died on Tuesday last of pneumonia, after an illness of about one week. She was 24 years of age, and besides her husband leaves an infant son.

Mr. H. Johnston met with an accident on Saturday last while performing his duties as sectionman. He was at the water tank a little below North Hastings Junction and accidentally got his thumb caught by the water pipe, and nearly cut off. The nearly severed member was promptly attended to, and it is hoped will soon be as well as ever.

The Bay of Quinte Conference Epworth League Convention will be held in George St. Methodist Church, Peterborough, on Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 23rd and 24th, 1898. The public generally are cordially invited to attend. All Leagues or Methodist Young People's Societies are entitled to representation, and entitled to a delegate for every twenty members or fraction thereof. There will be reduced railway rates given. The Rines Bros., Hamilton, the celebrated singing evangelists, will sing at all sessions of the Convention.

The annual meeting for the election of officers of L. O. L. 110 for the year 1898 was held at Stirling on Dec. 7th, 1897, when the following officers were elected:

W. M.—J. Earl Halliwell.

D. M.—A. Reid.

Chaplain—S. Martin.

Rec. Sec.—L. E. Halliwell.

Fin. Sec.—F. T. Ward.

Treasurer—John Arthur.

D. of C.—S. Patterson.

Lecturer—Thos. Montgomery.

Dep. Lecturer—Thos. Anders.

1st Committee man—J. Barlow.

2nd—"—A. McCutcheon.

3rd—"—J. Cooney.

4th—"—T. Montgomery.

5th—"—Wm. Rodgers.

Auditors—T. H. McKee and W. S. Martin.

L. E. HALLIWELL, Rec. Sec.

Bravery Rewarded.

The Royal Canadian Humane Association has awarded to Mr. Alex. Conley, of this village, an honorary testimonial on parchment for his promptitude and bravery in rescuing from drowning Roscoe Wright, who accidentally fell into the current in deep water, and would have perished had it not been for the gallant conduct of Mr. Conley. The parchment is signed by Adam Brown, President, John W. Morton, Secretary, and Henry McLaren, Treasurer, and is dated Feb. 1st, 1898. It is a worthy recognition of bravery displayed in saving life. This testimonial was received for Mr. Conley through the efforts of Dr. Sprague, and was presented to him on Monday night last, at the meeting of the Canadian Order of Oddfellows, of which order Mr. Conley is a member.

At a first meeting of the local Board of Health Mr. Jesse Barlow was chosen chairman.

Marmora races were attended by quite a number from here. Mr. T. H. McKee drove his fast mare, Mollie M., in some of the races.

The price of cattle, either beef or milch cows, has advanced considerably of late, and farmers having animals for sale are now realizing good prices.

The Masonic "At Home" on Thursday evening last was largely attended by the brethren and their families, and the time spent very pleasantly in social chat, card-playing and dancing. Refreshments were also served.

Missionary meetings in St. John's Parish as follows:—St. John's Church, Wednesday next, Feb. 16, 7:30 p.m., Rev. C. J. Hutton, Convener. St. Thomas, 8th concession, Thursday, Feb. 17, 2:30 p.m., Rev. C. J. Hutton and W. Archibald, Esq., St. Lawrence, Thursday, Feb. 17th, 7:30 p.m., Rev. C. J. Hutton, Convener.

The Anniversary Services and Tea-Meeting of the West Huntingdon Presbyterian Church were a decided success. Services of Sabbath, the 6th, were well attended, and the contributions were good. The church on Monday evening was packed to its utmost. The singing was good and well received by the audience. The lecture, "Cable and Cord," by the Rev. J. G. Potter, B.A., of St. Andrew's, Peterboro, was excellent. He had the undivided attention of the audience for 50 minutes, though the house was "packed, and red-hot." The comments of those who expressed their opinion after the lecture spoke volumes for Mr. Potter's ability as a lecturer. Proceeds of the Sabbath services and tea-meeting were over \$120.

School Board Meeting.

Minutes of a first meeting of the Stirling Board of Education, held Feb. 2.

Members present—T. G. Clute, Uriel Wright, A. Chard, Jos. Doak, Oakley Vandervoort, Dr. Sprague, F. T. Ward and Jas. Boldrick.

On motion the following officers were appointed:

Chairman—Thos. G. Clute.

Treasurer—F. B. Parker.

Secretary—John S. Black.

Finance Com.—F. T. Ward, Dr. Parker, T. G. Clute.

Property Com.—A. Chard, Jos. Doak, Oakley Vandervoort.

High School Visiting Com.—Jas. Boldrick, Dr. Faulkner, Dr. Sprague.

Public School Visiting Com.—Joseph Doak, Dr. Parker, F. T. Ward.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.

Moved by Mr. Chard, seconded by Mr. Doak, that a copy of the new account books prescribed by the Legislature be ordered for the Treasurer. Carried.

The account of the News-Argus for printing, amounting to \$4.00, was ordered to be paid.

Moved by Mr. Chard, seconded by Mr. Wright, that Dr. Parker be granted three months leave of absence from this Board. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Doak, seconded by Mr. Vandervoort, that six portraits of Her Majesty be purchased for the school rooms, and that an order for cost of the same be given in the proportion of \$1.80 for the High and \$3.55 for the Public Schools. Carried.

On motion the Secretary was granted an allowance of \$2.00 for postage and stationery for 1897.

Moved by Mr. Chard, seconded by Mr. Doak, that a vote of thanks be given to Mr. Wright for the able manner in which he has filled the position of chairman during the past year. Carried.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN S. BLACK, Sec.

Bethel Anniversary Services.

The Anniversary Services last Sabbath and Monday on the Rawdon circuit were an unqualified success. On Sunday the services were conducted by Rev. G. S. White, M. D., of the Montreal Conference, delivering two wonderful sermons. Selecting for his subject in the morning the "Transfiguration," and in the evening "Character." The eloquent Dr. held his immense audience spell-bound, and the unanimous verdict was that they were two of the most earnest appeals ever delivered in the church.

On Monday evening the Pastor, Rev. W. D. P. Wilson, LL. B., called the audience to order and introduced the chairman, G. G. Thrasher, of the village of Stirling, who delivered a beautiful address on the subject of improving life. Then the chairman introduced the eloquent divine, Dr. White, who delivered his very popular lecture "Luck and Pluck." All we have to say regarding the Dr. is the repetition of the words of the Queen of Sheba on her visit to Solomon as we have heard of the Dr. in the north and south, in the east and west, "but the half has never been told."

The proceeds of the anniversary were \$91.00. The choir acquitted themselves in their usual pleasing manner by enlivening the occasion with their beautiful selections. Great credit is due our pastor for the deep interest he has taken in the financial welfare of the circuit.

Edward Nunn, a farmer living near McIntosh Mills, about seven miles from Athens, Ont., was killed on Saturday morning by a loan of wood turning over on him.

Just As Easy.

Men often say—"I don't like standing collar." Oh yes, but did you know the standing collar of reasonable height will be as easy as a "tuck-down"? Of course a high collar will not suit you if you are not used to it, but if you like a comfortable collar and want to try a standing one, try Oak Hall's English 4-ly collars at 10c. each. Very low.

Spring Brook.

From Our Own Correspondent.

The Anniversary Sermons of the Methodist Church were preached by the Rev. Mr. McQuade, of Havelock, on Sunday, the 30th of Jan. The annual Tea Meeting was held on Monday night following, and a social on Tuesday for the little people, which was well patronized. Owing to the extremely cold and stormy weather, the tea meeting was not as great a success as usual. The proceeds, including the social, were \$75.10.

Mr. T. Rupert had the misfortune to lose a good horse a few days ago.

Rev. Mr. McQuade, to continue for two or three weeks, were begun here last Monday evening.

Mrs. Robt. Wilson, of Belleville, daughter of Mrs. M. Meagher, is dangerously ill of pneumonia.

A cinegraph exhibition was given in the Foresters' Hall last Monday night, to the great delight of the young people.

Some Advice by H. L. Hastings.

The following few sentences are from the writings of the Boston anti-truffel publisher, H. L. Hastings: "Have the courage to stand for God, even if you have to stand alone. Have the courage to say nothing when you have nothing to say. Have the courage to remain 'on the fence' as long as the mud is knee deep on both sides. Have the courage of two evils to choose the least, but of two wrongs to choose neither. Have the courage to believe in God with all your heart, and to own His name everywhere."

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Auction Sales.

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Eggs, fresh—18c to 18c per doz.

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Apples, green—50c. per bag.

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Beans—75c to \$1.00 per bus.

Onions—75c. per bag.

Chickens—6c. per pound.

Geese—5c to 6c per lb.

Ducks—7c to 8c per lb.

Timothy seed—\$2.00 to \$2.25 per bus.

Hay—\$8.00 to \$8.00 per ton.

Oats—20c to 22c per bus.

Peas—38c to 40c per bus.

Peas (large) 38c. to 40c. per bushel.

Rye—35c. to 40c. per bus.

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Come this week and get a bargain.

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Any WINTER CLOTH CAP in the Store on FRIDAY and SATURDAY for 25 CENTS.

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Highest prices paid for produce.

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Give Us a Rest.

All right. But you will rest easier if you have one of our big, cosy, Sleepy Hollow Chairs. You could fall back into that and rest to your heart's content.

It's worth trying. Come and see them.

Parlor Suites

I have lately received a big assortment of Parlor Suites. I am sure that I can satisfy you both in quality and price. I have a full line of all kinds of Shop, Office, or House Furniture. Call and see.

JAMES RALPH.

Spring Brook.

Farmers' Institute Meeting.

From Our Own Correspondent.

A Farmers' Institute meeting was held here in the Forester's Hall on Feb. 9th. There were about forty present at the afternoon meeting, held in the evening the hall was well filled, with a good quota of the fair sex. James McComb, president, occupied the chair. Mr. Crandell was the first speaker in the evening, and occupied nearly one hour dealing with the British markets, which he spent five and a half months in England studying. He said that instead of depending on the United States for a market for our farm products, we were competing with them for the British trade. Great Britain was our market. We already had the preference on our cheeses. The speaker next took up the cattle trade, on which he dwelt at some length. Much had lately been done by the Government to facilitate this trade, but there was still more to do. It was the duty of the government to bring the producer and consumer as closely together as possible. The future trade in meats between Canada and England would be done through cold storage. In this trade Australia was our biggest competitor.

The speaker enumerated some twelve different articles which we export, of which cheese was the leader. Sixty per cent of the cheese imported by England came from Canada. The States lost this trade by sending John Bull a poor article. Creamery butter was the topic. It was a comparatively new industry in Canada, and with the same honesty, care and attention which built up our cheese trade, would yet reach large proportions and become a very important factor in profitable dairying. As regards the English market for butter, the speaker went on to say that the tests for this article were not uniform, but were different in different sections, all of which had to be studied by Canadian exporters in order to capture the trade and get the best results. The poultry trade could also be made profitable in the near future, as also could the fruit trade, but there must be no more apples sent out with the big ones at each end of the barrel and the small ones in the middle. The British people will not put up with any such sharp practice; and once they became prejudiced against an article, it took a long time to win back their favor. Another thing the speaker very strongly recommended as very important, and that was to brand all our productions as "Canadian" and thereby gain the advantages to be derived from a product having a National character and reputation.

Song by Mr. J. G. Foster. A. McLean was the next speaker, subject—"Poultry on the Farm." Poultry is a profitable adjunct to farming, and was only in an early stage of development, and would yet form a large proportion of our exports to England. The main thing was to please the British consumer. He wanted goods of uniform size and color, and unfertile, to command the best prices. Only about six per cent of this class of products imported by Great Britain came from Canada. This, he continued, was not our share of this trade, and our people should make an effort to increase it. In conclusion, he said, he sympathized with the grumbler who was always complaining that farming did not pay. Only a small proportion kept an account of income and expenses and did not know what they really were making. One thing was certain, farming showed a much smaller per cent. of failures than the Mercantile and other pursuits.

Song by J. S. Vancleave—"Have courage my boy to say No." Mr. Foster, the genial secretary of the North Hastings Farmers' Institute, here made a few general remarks, urging the farmers to take more interest in their occupation, and in the Institute. He would like to see it the banner institute of Ontario.

The last address was by Mr. Honey on "Economic feeding of Dairy Cows." He argued for warm stabling, regular feeding and kind treatment. June, he said, was the month when all the conditions were most favorable for a large yield of milk, and we should aim by artificial means, to keep up these conditions all the year round. He then gave his methods, which are as follows: Sow early on ground intended for turnips the following season; and as early as possible in spring sow oats and peas mixed, every ten days in succession until too late for this crop; of turnips sow White Globe, Gray Stone and Swedes as they mature in the order mentioned. He also grows Mangels for late winter feeding as they will keep longer than turnips. He would give each cow a daily ration of 8 lbs. of bran, 9 lbs. chop, 4 lbs. peas, barley and buckwheat; 30 lbs. of roots with cut straw; grain alone should never be fed to cows. Each animal should have 1 oz. of salt daily. He would recommend a chop of mixed grain as it gives a better balanced ration.

The meeting closed by singing "God Save the Queen."

The Dominion Government has announced that an act will be introduced at the present session limiting the benefits of the preferential tariff to Great Britain and her colonies after Aug. 1st next.

The shoe store of A. W. Vermilyea & Sons, of Belleville, was damaged by fire Saturday morning to the extent of \$3,000 on stock and \$200 on the building. The loss is fully covered. The fire originated in the cellar, and as it was removed from the till and the basement door open, it is supposed the fire was caused by thieves.

Wagon Pen Jackets. You get just what you want in men's and boys' reefer coats at the Oak Hall. We have the nice little fancy reefer for the small boys in good quality, and ones with the high collars. Prices for the boys \$2, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00, and for the men \$3, \$3.50, \$4 and \$5.

Important to Farmers.

Among those best acquainted with the produce trade of Great Britain there seems to be a widespread impression that the production of cheese in Canada is now fully equal to the requirements of that market, and that any further increase will mean an unremunerative price to the Canadian farmer and positive injury to a great industry. Of the twenty-five million dollars' worth of cheese imported by Great Britain during the past season, Canada supplied fifteen million dollars' worth, or three-fifths of the whole imports, and it is held that any increase in these figures, with corresponding increase from other exporting countries, cannot fail to result in an over-supply and a general and permanent depreciation of values. As a proof of this contention it is pointed out that even now stocks are very heavy both here and on the other side, and that this market the present low figures testify. One-fifth more boxes have come forward already this season than during the corresponding period of 1896-97, to be explicit, 2,333,880, against 1,539,876. In view of these facts it is a very general opinion that if the farmer for some time to come would devote his energies rather to the improvement of quality than the increase of output, the future prospects of the trade would be brighter for all concerned. As other countries are likely to be doing this, also, to restrict our output would be only to give place to them, unless we hold our own by progressive excellence, as we have done in the past.

If it is true that any considerable increase in the make of Canadian cheese will depress the market to an unremunerative level, the question naturally arises, what is the farmer to do with his milk and feed crops, which are subject to increase year by year? An answer to this question is found in the following figures, which show the farmer where they can use their labor and talents in developing a veritable Klondike on their own farms. Great Britain last year imported from various countries the following enormous values in the articles named, which can be readily supplied by Canada: Butter, \$81,000,000; bacon, \$44,000,000; hams, \$18,000,000; eggs, \$20,000,000; altogether a total of \$163,000,000. Of these four articles Canada only supplied the following: Butter, \$2,500,000; bacon, \$2,500,000; hams, \$1,000,000; eggs, \$1,000,000, or a total of only \$7,000,000. So that, whereas as the Canadian farmer supplied the British consumer with three-fifths of all the cheese imported, he only supplied one twenty-sixth of the imports of butter, bacon, hams and eggs. If our farmers, therefore, will take the above great figures might mean to them, they would assuredly strive to reap a larger share of this rich commercial harvest. We must first turn to butter-making as the natural relief to the present over-production of cheese. Of this we only supply British with less than one-thirty-sixth part of what she imports.

As the greater part of the butter brought into the United Kingdom comes from Denmark, and as Danish butter is very much out of favor at the moment, while Canada, if not her butter, is just now very much in favor, the time is favorable to reverse the figures. There is room to increase our butter export twenty times. We can only do so, however, by not only making the best possible article, but by studying the whims of the British market as to make and packing. As butter-milk is better than pig, bacon and hams are by-products of the butter manufacture, and here, too, the way to success lies in excellence, both of the meat and of its curing and packing.—Witness.

Mr. A. W. Campbell, provincial road commissioner, delivered an address at the town hall, Robin's Mills, township of Ameliasburg, on Thursday last. As the hall being crowded to the doors. In the course of his address the old system of statute labor came in for severe criticism, and the speaker showed beyond dispute the amount of labor and money that was annually being squandered in this farcical method. Statute labor in many places was the greatest of all humbugs, and he wondered often why the people would peacefully submit to being robbed year after year in this way. In the Province of Ontario \$20,000,000 had been expended by the different municipalities during the past ten years on roads, and a very large proportion of roads were worse today than ten years ago—simply because the money had not been expended properly and the work supervised by men who knew nothing about the proper methods of road building. He was not there to dictate to them any particular road system to follow, but to point out his experience in building roads during the past 12 years, and his ideas as a civil engineer. If they approved of them, well and good; if not, it cost them nothing in either case. Mr. Campbell spoke for upwards of three hours and received the very best of attention throughout the time. A great number of questions were asked upon different methods of road building and were gracefully answered. The different gentlemen on the platform spoke highly and in the most complimentary manner of Mr. Campbell's address, and were unanimous in believing his address would do much towards bringing about a better system of road building.

At Trinity Methodist Church, Toronto, on Sunday night last, the magnificent sum of \$87.45 was raised for the purpose of paying off the debt on the church.

STIRLING CASH STORE

Some Facts about Prices here this week that we want you to know.

We want you to know that you can buy 40-inch Pillow Cotton for 10c., worth fully 15c.

Grey Cotton, 35 inches wide, 3c. per yard.

Also, the heaviest Shirting made, weighs 3 yds. to the lb. 12c. in all colors, stripes and checks.

Lace Curtains, 25c. a pair.

Now something about Flannellette. We begin them at 4c. per yd.; a fine one, 4 yds. for 25c., and the heaviest Flannellette in the market, 36 inches wide, regular 12c., for 10c., while they last.

Curtain Poles, wood rings and ends, 20c. each.

Art Muslins, 7c., 8c., 10c.

Black Lustre Dress Goods, plain and figured, special value, 25c.

A line of Wrapperette, special, 7c.

We are paying 15c. for good No. 1 Butter. Also, Fresh Eggs wanted. Highest price paid.

T. G. CLUTE.

GROCERY - GROCERY

Just opened up a large crate of Crockery & Glassware of the choicest kind. Call and see our gilt edge Tea and Dinner Sets at very reasonable prices.

FLOUR. --- FLOUR.

Our Flour is giving good satisfaction.

OYSTERS

Furnished for oyster suppers.

WANTED.

Butter, Eggs, Potatoes, Dressed Hogs and Poultry. Highest prices paid for same.

CALL AND SEE.

Samples of Mammoth Southern Sweet, Red Corn, and Improved Learning Corn. Will take orders for the above.

S. HOLDEN.

FOR SALE.—A valuable farm in Huntingdon. Apply to S. HOLDEN, Stirling.

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On the Tenth Con. of Rawdon, about the middle of January, a Buffalo Robe. The owner can have the same by proving the property and paying for this advertisement. ALEX. MARTIN.

Lot 2, Con. 2, Rawdon.

CONSERVATIVE MEETING.

There will be a general Committee meeting of Conservatives of the Village in McKee's Hall on Friday evening at 8 o'clock. All resident Conservatives are invited to attend.

REFORMERS, ATTENTION.

A Grand Rally of all Reformers and friends of the Liberal cause of the Village of Stirling and Township of Rawdon will be held at Harlot Town Hall, on Saturday evening, Feb. 19th, at 7.30, in the interest of Byron O. Lott, the Liberal nominee for North Hastings.

FARM TO LET.

The south-east quarter of Lot 2, in the 3rd Con. of Rawdon, is offered on the premises to reasonable terms. SAMUEL FARGY, to.

Notice of By-Law.

Notice is hereby given that a By-Law will be passed at the regular meeting of the Village of Stirling and Township of Rawdon, which meeting will be held on Monday, the 22nd of April, 1898, at 8 o'clock, that they will authorize the sale of and sale by Public Auction of part of the land comprised in the portion of the 1st Concession of the Township of Rawdon, comprised in the portion of said Concession, the date of sale shall be fixed by said By-Law.

THOS. C. McCONNELL, Township Clerk.

A Well Dressed Man.

Who prides himself on being tasteful in his appearance pays particular attention to the minor details of his apparel. The Oak Hall cater to the best taste in men's furnishings. In ties we would like you to see our newest bows, knots and four-hand goods. The fact that they sell for only 25c., is an additional point in their favor.

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THE VERY LATEST FROM ALL THE WORLD OVER.

Interesting Items About Our Own Country, Great Britain, the United States, and All Parts of the World, Condensed and Assorted for Easy Reading.

CANADA.

Another case of smallpox has developed at Montreal.

Hamilton City Council has decided to abolish statute labor tax.

Toronto had 61 deaths, 53 births and 19 marriages during January.

There is talk of a temple building to cost \$250,000, being erected in Hamilton.

Chief Twiss of Dundas has been appointed High Constable of Wentworth County.

The Montreal Herald office has been damaged to the extent of \$10,000 by fire.

Customs collections at Brantford for January show an increase of \$5,258 over January, 1897.

Mr. Mulock has given notice in the House of the bill to abolish the superannuation system.

The value of exports from Manitoba during January exceeded five and a half million dollars.

A pulp mill is to be erected at St. John's, Nfld., by the Canadian Paper Company with a million dollars capital.

The financial statement of Nova Scotia shows the year's expenditure as \$5,008, and a deficit of \$31,438.

The C. P. R. contemplates making many improvements on the western section of the system during the present year.

The Citizens' Light & Power Company's premises at Cole St., Montreal, were destroyed by fire. The loss is \$100,000.

Lieut.-Col. W. E. Hodgins, of the Governor-General's Foot Guards, has been appointed A. D. C. to the Governor-General.

The Canadian Pacific Railway announces that their direct cable connection between Halifax and Jamaica is now open for business.

Sir Adolphe and Lady Chapleau have taken up their residence in Montreal, and his Honor announces his intention of resuming his practice of law.

Dr. Roche, M. P. for Marquette, is lying seriously ill in the Winnipeg Hospital, and will not be able to attend to his parliamentary duties for some time.

The duty collected at the Ottawa customs house for January last, was \$34,714 compared with \$21,303 for the same month last year, an increase of \$8,291.

Mrs. Cole of Hamilton, about 65 years of age, on Tuesday was found dead in a miserable house in which she lived alone on Jackson street, her body being frozen stiff.

W. W. Boshofsky, of Vancouver, has secured \$2,000 damages from the British Columbia Electric Company for the loss of his right arm, as the result of a tramway accident.

The annual report of the Department of Marine just issued shows the expenditure for the fiscal year to be \$725,970, about \$39,700 less than the previous year's \$765,670.

Graham Waddell, a farmer of Newmarket, Ont., is in the General Hospital, Toronto, suffering from what is known as an X-ray burn in the abdomen, which refuses to heal.

Pressure is being brought to bear upon the Government to place an export duty on the nickel ore. The matter will be left until Parliament has been heard from on the subject.

The customs returns for Hamilton for January, 1898, show duties collected amounting to \$34,713.82, as compared with \$18,042.68 for January, 1897, an increase of \$17,111.41.

The Customs Department has received \$47,000 from the collector at Dawson City, making \$85,000 in duties received from the Yukon since the opening of navigation last year.

It is reported at Lethbridge that the Alberta Railway & Coal Company have sold to McKenna and Mann for 80 miles of the roadbed, and also four locomotives.

The Vancouver Board of Trade has issued an agency circular, Wash., to afford information of Vancouver's advantages over the United States cities in supplying outfits for the Klondike.

Mr. Charles M. Hays, General Manager of the G. T. R., denies the report that the Grand Trunk is interesting in Premier Green's scheme for building a line from Winnipeg to Lake Superior.

An outbreak of black diphtheria is reported at one of the camps on the Crow's Nest Pass Railroad. Two young men from Nova Scotia were left to die in a box car without medical attendance or comfort.

Henceforth the recording of water rights under the irrigation act will be administered by the Northwest Territory Department of Public Works at Regina, instead of as heretofore in Calgary and Ottawa.

The Supreme Court of British Columbia has quashed the conviction of a coal mine owner for employing Chinese in the mines, on the ground that the Act prohibited the employment of Chinese, it did not provide any penalty for its infraction.

Mr. Charles Smith, formerly Superintendent of the Great Western Railway, will probably succeed Mr. C. O. Smith as Secretary of the Hamilton Board of Trade. Mr. Smith's resignation has been accepted, as he is going to San Francisco.

Another fire insurance company has been formed to have its head office in Toronto. The company will be known as the Equity Fire Insurance Company. It has an authorized capital of \$1,000,000, subscribed capital of \$300,000, and paid-up capital so far of \$50,000.

A report comes from Salt Lake City of trouble in the Yukon between the Canadian police, and the American revenue officers. It is said the mounted police at Lethbridge have received orders to hold themselves in readiness to start for the scene at a moment's notice.

HEALTH.

WHOOPING-COUGH.

Whooping-cough is a disease that usually attacks children only, but as is true of most so-called children's diseases, this is not because of any special constitutional predisposition in children.

The disease is exceedingly contagious, and so most people catch it in infancy or childhood, but susceptibility to it is preserved through adult life, and even the aged may have it if they have escaped it in earlier life.

Adults present the same symptoms as children, but in a less severe form, and with less liability to the complications than may make the disease dangerous to children.

Some people think that whooping-cough is inevitable, and acting on the theory that the child had better catch it and be done with it, they neglect the precautions that they take to guard against diphtheria and other serious diseases. But apart from the chance that the present exposure may be the last, and that the child may thus escape the disease altogether, this fact that there is less danger as the patient grows older, should induce parents to protect children as far as possible from the danger of contagion.

Usually easy to recognize, well-developed whooping-cough by means of the characteristic "whoop," but this is not always so, for the whoop may be absent, and the disease may present in other affections in which violent and protracted coughing fits occur.

Some of the symptoms are merely those of a moderately severe cold on the chest. The child is possibly a little feverish and out of sorts, the appetite is poor, and the cough is perhaps slightly coated, and there is a distressing cough. This cough does not yield to ordinary remedies, and grows more and more being especially troublesome at night.

At first there is nothing peculiar about the cough, but by and by it takes on an epidemic character and the disease declares itself. The cough consists of a series of short, sharp rashes, expelling more air than force from the lungs, and there is no interruption to the flow of a breath being taken. The face gets blue, and it seems as if the child must surely suffocate, when suddenly the barking stops and the sufferer draws a long, deep breath, accompanied with a clear sound, the "whoop."

Which is the remedy that will certainly cure whooping-cough, there is much that the physician can do for the patient, and the reason for this is because of possible complications, the child should always be under a physician's care as long as the symptoms of the disease last.

HEADACHE.

Headache is sometimes an independent affection occurring as a symptom of actual disease of some of the structures in the head itself, the skin, bone, nerves, or brain; but usually it is a general condition, or of disease in some of the digestive organs. It occurs almost invariably at some stage, usually the beginning of the various fevers, and often is the chief cause of complaint.

Apart from such cases, headache may be occasional only, and is then usually traceable to indigestion in eating or drinking, or possibly smoking, to exposure to the hot sun or a cold wind, to overfatigue, want of sleep, or to some other easily discoverable cause.

Such a headache may be relieved by a cup of black coffee, or a glass of carbonated water containing perhaps a half-teaspoonful of bicarbonate of soda, followed by rest in a darkened but cool and well-aired room.

The habitual headache which recurs at more or less frequent intervals, is more difficult to trace to its cause, and more difficult to cure. Such a headache may be due to eye-strain, to dyspepsia, constipation, mental overwork, or to some other cause, or to the liver or kidneys, or it may be purely in its nature.

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In no case should domestic dosing with advertised "headache cures" be indulged in, as the continual use of such remedies tends to the formation of a drug habit, difficult, if not impossible, to cure.

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A Great Book.

Ogilvie's Klondyke book is the best selling one of the year, but a book—free for all who ask—that exceeds it in real merit, because treating effectively the subject of more lasting importance to the people of this Province, is the Annual Report of the Ontario Agricultural College and Experimental Farm at Guelph. Where one man will win rich in the now famous gold mines of the Yukon district of Canada, a hundred may gain a competence, if not a great deal more, by sticking to the farm in Ontario. The wealth of matter in the Report is of incalculable value to the country. Agriculture is our greatest industry, and the information given thereabout by this publication of the Ontario Department of Agriculture, Toronto, is up-to-date and reliable. The book is moreover, well illustrated, and for a government blue-book, written in a most interesting style. The Ontario Agricultural College is beginning to feel the full cumulative force of nearly a quarter of a century's existence, and is now having been the most successful in its 24 years' history. Proof of this is found in the fact that of the students now in attendance over 95 per cent came on the express recommendation of ex-students. President Mills, in accounting for this pleasing feature of the College's prosperity, says:

"The great majority of those who have been with us long enough to get a fairly thorough knowledge of our course of study and appreciate the advantages of a good amount of themselves at home and abroad. They have gone back to work with an increased liking for farm life; they are pushing to the front as practical, progressive men; and, wherever you find them, they are warm friends of the College at Guelph."

At the present time every bed in the residence is occupied, and 27 students are lodging outside, most of them in the immediate neighborhood of the College. The total number of students in 1897 was 275—212 in the regular course, and 63 in the special daily course, the great majority being Ontario farmer's sons of the very best class.

As an outcome of the tuberculosis agitation, the Hon. John Dryden, Minister of Agriculture, decided about a year ago to provide for the manufacture of tuberculin in the College. The necessary apparatus was ordered at once, and the bacteriologist, Mr. F. C. Harrison, soon got things in shape to commence work. The first 14 tuberculin were sent out about the end of last March, and at that time the demand has increased so rapidly that it was found necessary to order an additional incubator and add a room to the laboratory. With these additions, it is hoped to be able to supply what is required in the Province.

The work in the department of field experiments is growing in importance from year to year. The experiments with varieties of wheat, oats, barley, peas, corn, turnips, mangels, potatoes, carrots, green folders, grasses, clovers, mixtures of grain, etc., have been carried on systematically, and persistent, well defined lines for seven or eight years, on plots in different parts of a fifty-acre field, and under climatic conditions which have varied with the years. Hence the results now begin to indicate very clearly which varieties are best adapted to the soil and climate of the College farm; and the co-operative experiments throughout the Province, carried on simultaneously by the College Experimental Unit (largely under the direction of the Experimentalist, Mr. C. A. Zavitz) go to show that the varieties which have done best at the College give the best results all over the Province.

In this way some excellent foreign varieties have been introduced, tested, and distributed throughout the Province—varieties which yield from eight to eight bushels per acre more than any varieties previously grown. In oats and barley alone, the varieties introduced and distributed by the experiment station have, within the past four or five years, paid to the Province a good deal more than the entire cost of the College for the last ten years.

Where Life is Longest.

More people over a hundred years old are found in mild climates than in the higher latitudes. According to the last census of the German empire, of a population of 55,000,000 only seventy-eight have passed the hundredth year. France with a population of 40,000,000 has 218 centenarians. In England there are 140. Ireland 578, and in Scotland forty-six. Sweden has ten, and Norway twenty-two, Belgium 5, Denmark 20, Switzerland none. Spain, with a population of 18,000,000, has 401 persons over a hundred years of age. Of the 2,250,000 inhabitants of Serbia, 575 persons have passed the century mark. It is said that the oldest person living whose age has been proven is Bruno Corrin, born in Africa, and now living in Rio de Janeiro. He is a hundred and fifty years old. A coachman in Moscow has lived a hundred and forty years.

R. Weddell, Jr., of Trenton, has secured the contract to build and complete 70 miles of railroad from the Tyrle Mountain Coal Fields to Brandon City, Manitoba, as also the furnishing and completing of machinery at the same place for the loading and carrying 800 tons of coal per day. The Weddell Bridge Works have been awarded the contract by the Dominion Government for a fine steel swing bridge, 182 feet roadway, with ornamental railing, sidewalks and approaches, across the Rideau Canal, Ottawa city. They have also large contracts for mining machinery.

Bible Study.

The study of God's Word is of far more importance than familiarizing one's self with the ideas of theologians. The reading of the writings of men who study the Bible is valuable, and a knowledge of apologetics and other subjects related to theology is by no means to be despised, yet if we devote more attention to the words of men than to what God has said we are making a serious mistake. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom," and a knowledge of His Word is of supreme importance. D. L. Moody is not a theologian, but he is a great Bible student, and he is far better able to tell of the important matters concerning God and His will towards men, His mercy and His love, than many of the most profound writers upon theology. Men may know theology, yet have no knowledge whatever of the Creator. We are told to "search the Scriptures," and no one can be a strong Christian who devotes but little attention to the sacred Book.

H. L. Hastings, the Boston editor, etc., has the following in the February issue of "The Armory," a paper published in connection with "The Christian," Mr. Hastings' highly commendably popular periodical.

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Mining Notes.

Marmora Herald

A number of men are engaged sinking a shaft on the Murray property. Water is being pumped from a deep shaft on the sinka property, and 100 cords of wood are being delivered there. The property is to be thoroughly developed in the spring.

We learn from authority that a new mill capable of treating 100 tons of ore per day will be erected at Deloro by the Canadian Gold Fields Co., Limited, in addition to their already large plant. Carpenters are engaged this week in timbering a shaft on the property of the Detroit & Hastings Mining & Milling Co. A large amount of ore has been taken out, and present prospects indicate that the work will be carried on on a large scale as soon as spring opens. \$1,700 was realized from last Thursday's clean up at the Belmont mine. The present is a 10 stamp mill, and as soon as the additional 30 stamp mill is erected, which will be at an early date, excellent results are sure to follow. The ore is rich in the previous metal, and the Cordova Exploration Co., of which Mr. David G. Kerr is manager, purpose pushing the work vigorously.

Christian Endeavor Notes.

Nashville '98.

At Nashville, Tennessee, every arrangement is being made for the great International Convention to be held July 6-11. Our Canadian manager has been appointed to look after the interests of all who purpose going thither. He is C. J. Atkinson, 4 Simpson Ave., Toronto. All who apply to him shall have information as to the line of routes, cost of travel, entertainment, etc., and think of going do not wait to the last moment to make arrangements.

A Laudable Project.

I have in my hands a letter from my dear friend, Dr. Abraham, of Burlington, Ont., and I want to lay what is in it before our Endeavorers, and ask their free and full opinion of the matter. "Could we not as Christian Endeavorers build a cottage in the Muskoka Home for Consumptives, to which members of the Society in Ontario would have access?" Dr. A. also writes of an "Endeavorer's Retreat" where members of the Society could go for a cheap holiday of a few weeks, or both might be adopted. I promised to ask our Endeavorers what they thought of it. Will you, therefore, let the line of routes, cost of travel, entertainment, etc., and think of going do not wait to the last moment to make arrangements.

Has been expected for some time and is not out yet. Also we are told that, but unforeseen circumstances have intervened. The Executive have been pushing on the printers as well as they could, and hope e'er long to see it out in fair and comely guise.

Our Press and C. E.

In every part of the Province our budget is welcome, and some of our enterprising papers are marking out our editor's communications by a large C. E. This is highly commendable. The young men and young women in our ranks to-day are the persons in whose hands lie the destinies of the immediate future. They are going to control the time, and he who will work with them and for them. Blessed is he who speaks for to-morrow.

Chatterton Chips.

From Our Own Correspondent.

"It is time for a change," as the Tories say. We want some snow. We guess the seventh will start some time now. There is one engine here. There was a wedding in this neighborhood last week, and one this week, and rumors of more. Tommy Hoard was visiting friends here last week. H. Graham and his cows dohored a few days ago. Telling cattle's age by the wrinkles on their horns will soon be a lost art. The Jas. Faulkner farm was put up at auction in Belleville last Saturday, but was not sold. Mrs. (Rev.) A. L. Adams is visiting in the neighborhood. Jas. A. Bird is moving his barn and putting a basement under it this spring. Chatterton, Feb. 24. R.V.W.

A terrible accident has occurred in the harbor of Havana, Cuba. The U.S. battleship Maine, lying at anchor there, was blown up on Tuesday evening, and 233 lives lost. The vessel is a complete wreck.

A Critical Point.

A man may be particular about his dress, but if he neglects his neckwear, he will spoil what otherwise would be a splendid outfit. It is the least neglected, and makes the whole suit a success. What the ordinary mortal wants is this harmony. The Oak Hall have all the novelties for spring in neckwear and they are very attractive.

TEAS AND TEAS.

Things Once Used or Now Used as Substitutes For the Chinese Herb.

Of course every one knows that we drink a good deal that isn't tea when we drink a cup of tea. We drink—or are supposed to drink—some tea, some lead and some straw. But there are several things that the drinkers know are not made of tea leaves and yet are not adulterated.

In Peru they drink mate, a tea made from the Ilex paraguensis, a species of holly. This is the only mate tea, but there is a Brazilian tea, gorgonha, called mate there; another tea used in Austria, called Brazilian tea, and several other so-called mate teas are made from different varieties of the Ilex. In Labrador they make a tea from two species of ledum. Oswego tea was made from the scarlet monarda, and mountain tea from the dwarf evergreen, Gaultheria procumbens. Then clover tea and tansy tea and catnip tea and mint tea are used, though not as beverages.

In Sumatra they use coffee leaves to make tea out of, and the beverage is said to be very refreshing. In Mauritius the leaves of an orchid, Angraecum fragrans, are used. The Tongueuses have teas of their own, made of leaves, and in the Malay States the leaves of the sininus make tea out of the leaves of the Catha edulis. When a sentinel can't leave his post to get a cup of tea, he can chew a leaf or two of this plant, and he won't feel like going to sleep all night. In Tasmania there are said to be more than 200 substitutes for tea. In England they used to make a tea of sage, betony or rosemary and of raspberry leaves; in France they use black currant leaves and borage to make tea, and in a century or so ago they gathered in English gardens and fields ash, elder and also leaves, and the leaves of white-thorn and blackthorn, out of which to make tea. So it is evident that there are tea and teas.—New York Sun.

Animals' Flight Is Short.

A question that has often been asked is, How long does flight last in a wild creature? The close observer will be surprised at its brief duration. They are not subject to "nerves" like human beings. A partridge after running (or rather flying) the gamut of half a dozen hedges—if we may be allowed a mixed metaphor—drops on the other side of a hedge and begins calmly to peck as if nothing had happened. You would think a rabbit after hearing a charge of shot whistling about its haunches and just managing to escape from a yelping spaniel would keep indoors for a week, but out it pops quite merrily as soon as the coast is clear. A fox pursued by hounds has been known to halt and kill a fowl in its flight, though we may assume that his enemies were not close to Reynard at the time. We have been led into thinking about the matter by noting what took place at a cover after being shot over.—Fall Mall Gazette.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM LYONS, late of the Township of Sidney, in the County of Hastings, farmer.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Rules and Statutes of Ontario, chap. 110, sec. 3, and amendments, to all creditors and other persons having claims against the estate of William Lyons, late of the Township of Sidney, in the County of Hastings, farmer, deceased, who are indebted to or about the estate of said deceased, to send in their claims, in writing, to the undersigned, at the residence of the undersigned, on or before Saturday, the 5th day of March, A. D. 1898, a statement in writing of their claims and demands, and the nature of security, if any, held upon the same, on or before the date mentioned, so that the executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, and having regard only to the claims of which notice has been given as required.

And notice is further given that after the date mentioned the said executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, and having regard only to the claims of which notice has been given as required. And the said executor is hereby notified to hand in the amount of their indebtedness on or before the 5th day of March next to the said administrator.

GEORGE LYONS, Administrator. J. EARL HALLIWELL, Administrator.

Dated the 8th day of February, A. D. 1898.

A BY-LAW

To Prohibit the Sale of Liquor in the Township of Rawdon.

The Municipal Council of the Township of Rawdon hereby enacts as follows:

- 1 That the sale by retail of spirituous, fermented, or other manufactured liquors is and shall be prohibited in every tavern, inn, or other place of public entertainment, in the said municipality, and the sale thereof is altogether prohibited in every shop or place of business, in which more than a house of public entertainment.
- 2 That the vote of the electors of the said Township of Rawdon, in the Township of Rawdon, by-law, by the deputy returning officers, hereinafter named, on the 2nd day of January, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety-Eight, commencing at nine o'clock in the morning, and continuing till five o'clock in the afternoon at the under-mentioned place, to-wit:—
- No. 1 Polling Place—Ridge Road School House; George Lyons, Deputy Returning Officer.
- No. 2 Polling Place—Maria Phillips' House; Nelson McConnell, Deputy Returning Officer.
- No. 3 Polling Place—Rawdon Town Hall; Geo. A. Snarr, Deputy Returning Officer.
- No. 4 Polling Place—Geo. Johnson's Blacksmith Shop; Simon Armstrong, Deputy Returning Officer.
- No. 5 Polling Place—Orange Hall, Spring Brook; Wm. Hall, Deputy Returning Officer.
- No. 6 Polling Place—S. H. Dingman's Blacksmith Shop; H. Dingman, Deputy Returning Officer.
- 3 That on the 27th day of December, A. D. 1897, at the Town Hall in the Township of Rawdon, at the hour of Three o'clock in the afternoon, the electors of the said Township, signed by himself, two persons to attend at each polling place, and one person to attend at each polling place on behalf of the persons interested in the election of the said By-Law, and a like number on behalf of the persons interested in and desirous of opposing the passing of this By-Law.
- 4 That the Clerk of the said Municipal Council of the Township of Rawdon shall attend at the Town Hall at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon on the Fourth day of January, A. D. 1898, to sum up the number of votes cast, and to report the result of the election to the Council.
- 5 This By-Law shall come into operation and be of full force and effect on and after the First day of May next, after the final passage thereof.

Council Chamber, November 22nd, 1897. B. O. LOTT, Reeve.

NOTICE

THE ABOVE IS A TRUE COPY of a By-Law passed by the Municipal Council of the Township of Rawdon on the 13th day of December, A. D. 1897, and all persons are hereby required to take notice that any one desirous of applying to the Council for a license to sell liquor, or to have such By-Law, or any part thereof, repealed, must make his application for that purpose in the High Court at Toronto within three months next after the publication of this notice in the newspaper called The Stirling News-Argus or he will be too late to be heard in his behalf.

THOMAS C. MCCONNELL, Clerk for the Township of Rawdon.

Thursday, Feb. 9th, 1898.

STIRLING NEWS-ARGUS

LOOK HERE

Do not forget the place where you can get something nice to eat in the meat line. We are always on hand to supply you at any time. Call in and see for yourself. But I must have cash to carry on the business, and I am not a beggar. I am a business man. I must be settled at once without fail.

GERMAN SINE,

STIRLING MEAT MARKET NO. 1.

Jan. 25, 1898.

Ripans Tabules cure dizziness.

Ripans Tabules cure headache.

The News-Argus \$1.00 per yr.

CROCKERY!

I desire to specially call your attention to my lines of Crockery. I have just added a large quantity to my stock, and am now able to show you a complete range, that will be sure to appeal to your judgment when buying. My prices are right.

Don't forget my store when you want Choice, Good, Groceries. My stock is fresh and up-to-date, and you need not want for the best when you can get it here.

I make all kinds of Cakes to order. Fresh Bread always.

FISH and WINDSOR SALT always kept in stock.

JOHN SHAW.

AT * HALF * PRICE!

JACKETS

We have too many Ladies' and Children's Cloth Coats, and we are going to clear them all out at Just Half Price. This is much less money than these garments cost us from the best makers in Germany, but we haven't the room or the inclination to carry them over. Our loss will be your gain. They are every one this season's new styles, and were cheap at the original price.

Think of buying a \$10 Coat for \$5, or a \$5 Coat for \$2.50, or a \$15 Coat for \$7.50. It would pay you to buy a new Coat now for next winter.

WHITE QUILTS

We have just bought a large quantity of White Crochet Bed Quilts, full 10 x 4 size, regular price \$1.25 each, which we will run at 93 CENTS EACH.

If you can't come in, send for one or more of these, and if you are not perfectly satisfied we will return you the money.

GEO. RITCHIE & CO.,

BELLEVILLE.

Our Coffee

GLASGOW WAREHOUSE

BELLEVILLE, ONT.

—AT—

30c. per lb. FALL 1897.

Is a trade winner. Owing to the great drop in price of South American Coffees, we can offer

A Pure Ground Choice Flavored Coffee as above. This

should make a demand, as the

factory prices formerly asked for

good Coffees almost prohibited

their use.

J. C. HANLEY & CO.,

GROCERS, FEED & SEED

MERCHANTS,

BELLEVILLE - ONT.

—IN—

OUR TRADE

LADIES' - JACKETS

Has been a great success all

this Fall.

Now we start to give you

the plums.

Five Dollar Jackets are

reduced to.....\$4.00

\$6.50 Jackets reduced to: 5.00

\$8.00 Jackets reduced to: 6.50

And a lovely Beaver

Jacket that was a quick

sale at \$10, only a few

left, they will go now

for.....8.00

In Fawn, Light and Dark

Blue, and Black.

J. PATERSON,

SYNDICATE STORE,

BELLEVILLE.

AGENTS

"Glimpse of the Universe." Fascinating

book. Seven entire bound of boundland

subjects. Everybody orders. Marvellous il-

lustrations. BRADLEY-GARRETT COMPANY,

LIMITED, TORONTO.

WANTED!

A few good men for canvassing on yearly

salaries. THE LINSICOFF COMPANY,

TORONTO.

Ripans Tabules cure dyspepsia.

Ripans Tabules assist digestion.

Ripans Tabules cure bad breath.

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FIRE SALE

SOME BIG BARGAINS!

Prices are away down. The goods must be sold to make room.

WALL PAPERS

All Papers at close prices—
10c. Papers for 5c. and 6c.
7c. and 8c. Papers for 4c.
20c. Papers for 10c. and 12c.
25c. Papers for 15c.

STATIONERY

Five quires Note Paper for 15c.
Note Papers, 3c., 5c., 10c. a quire.
Envelopes at 3c. a bunch.

Big Drive in Scribbles.

One dozen Scribbles for 10 cents.
Special prices in all sizes.

LEAD PENCILS

With Rubber, 10c. a doz. 3c. Pen-
cils for 2c. per dozen, 20c.
100 Slate Pencils for 10c.

BARGAINS IN ALL LINES

Hair Brushes and Combs
Soaps & Toilet Articles
Fancy Goods, Lamp Goods, &c

NEW PERFECT EMULSION

50c. size for 35c.

PARKER'S DRUG & BOOK STORE.

J. J. KNOWLES, THE UP-TOWN JEWELER,

Announces to the public that he has removed his stock to the Conley Block, where he is prepared to do all work in connection with the Jewelry trade on short notice, and will guarantee satisfaction.

A full stock always on hand of

Watches, Clocks and Jewelry,

prices to suit the times.
A CALL SOLICITED.

J. J. KNOWLES,
Jeweler.

NOTICE.

All parties indebted to us will please call and settle before March 1st, and oblige

H. & J. WARREN, THE HARDWARE & TINWARE MERCHANTS, MILL ST.

PERSONALS.

Miss E. McCue, of Belleville, is the guest of Miss Minnie Warren.

Mr. S. J. Demill left on Monday last for Prince Edward County to attend the funeral of his father.

Miss Maud Hoffman, of Belleville, was visiting here last week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Ralph.

Mr. J. N. MacKenzie, Inspector of the Gore Fire Insurance Co., was in town on Wednesday last, and made a satisfactory adjustment of our claim for loss occasioned by removal during the fire on the 4th inst. Mr. W. S. Martin is agent for this district.

Collars For 10c.
Did any store in Belleville ever offer collars of any kind for 10c., until the Oak Hall introduced them? Take a walk around and see if you can find such a thing outside of our store. We have them, all shapes, warranted English manufacture and a big line. You know what you have always had to pay. We challenge any one to equal our 10c. collar for less than 10c. We invite customers to make the comparison, and then judge who saves them money.

PARKER BROTHERS BANKERS, STIRLING ONTARIO.

A General Banking Business transacted.

4 per cent. allowed on Deposits.

Drafts bought and sold on all parts of Canada, United States and Great Britain. Money to let on Mortgages at low interest. Office hours from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

P. B. PARKER. R. PARKER, M.D.

ADVERTISING NOTICES.

In the local column will be charged as follows: To Regular Advertisers—Three lines and under, 25 cents per insertion; over three lines, 7c. per line. Matter set in larger than the ordinary type, 10c. per line.

To Transient Advertisers—10c. per line each insertion. No insertion less than 25c.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

Trains leaving Stirling station as follows:—

GOING WEST. GOING EAST.

Mail, 6:13 a.m. Mail, 2:20 p.m.

Mixed, 6:32 p.m. Mixed, 10:30 p.m.

The Stirling News-Argus.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1898.

LOCAL MATTERS.

Don't forget the entertainment in the Music Hall next Tuesday night.

Building operations will be brisk here next season, and will give employment to many of Stirling's mechanics and laborers.

Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent, comes on February 23rd. Good Friday April 8th, and Easter Sunday April 10th.

Spring fairs arriving at wards, the people's fairs.

Another car load of Flour was shipped from the Crown Roller Mills Thursday (to-day) to Quebec, Jas. Boldrick & Son are rushing business.

Parker Bros. have had the lot formerly occupied by Milne's dry goods store cleared up, and intend to commence rebuilding in the spring.

The nominations for the coming elections to the Ontario Legislature will take place on Tuesday next, Feb. 22nd, and the polling on March 1st.

Mr. Wm. Montgomery has had a lot of lumber delivered and will proceed with the building of his factory and show rooms as soon as weather will permit.

Selling off winter cloth caps at wards; any cloth cap in the store for 25c. on Friday and Saturday.

An entertainment under the auspices of the A. O. U. W. of Stirling, will be held in the Music Hall on Wednesday evening next, the 23rd inst. See advertisement in another column.

The special services which have been held in the Methodist Church in this village for several weeks past closed on Sunday evening last. A large number have professed conversion and made a start for a better life.

A Riverside paper dated Feb. 2nd, recently received by friends here gives the following, dated Corona, Jan. 31:—"McGinnison Bros. will ship 1548 boxes of navel oranges from their grove south-west of the town this season. The fruit is well colored and of a delicious flavor."

Mr. L. Meiklejohn has purchased from Parker Bros. the lot on which his store formerly stood, as also the one adjoining on the east, and will erect a fine building for his hardware shop as soon as spring opens. He has already had the ground cleared of the rubbish caused by the recent fire.

Dr. Jas. Potts, of Chicago, who has been visiting with Mr. Jas. Potts, of this village, for a month past, leaves on Tuesday or Wednesday next for the Peace River district. He is one of a party of four who are bound for there in search of gold. He will meet the others, from Chicago, Edmonton, and proceed from there to Port St. John. From there they will have to journey by means of horses some 350 miles to the Peace River. There they will build boats and proceed down the river to their destination. They are taking supplies to last eighteen months. While here Mr. Potts placed his order for footwear with Martin & Reynolds.

Wedding.

On Wednesday morning, Feb. 16th, at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Thos. Hamilton, "Oak Hills," Miss Susie Hamilton, of Stirling, and Mr. Alfred Mesley, of Revelstoke, B.C., were united in marriage by the Rev. S. S. Burns, B.A., of St. Andrew's, Stirling. Miss Dorothy Heard, of Stirling, assisted as bridesmaid, and Mr. Herbert Hamilton supported the groom. The bride received many handsome and valuable presents. After a sumptuous 9 o'clock breakfast, Mr. and Mrs. Mesley left for their new home in New Westminster, B.C. The News-Argus and their many friends wish Mr. and Mrs. Mesley a happy and prosperous future.

Eighty-three car loads of dressed beef brought down from Toronto to Chicago by the Great Northern and Sunday last. Mr. E. D. O'Flynn, of Madoc, made a donation of \$200 to the Methodist Sabbath School of that village for the purchase of a new library. The books have been purchased and placed in the school. The new library consists of 341 volumes of the best S.S. literature.

Village Council.

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Stirling Municipal Council, held February 7th.
Members present—H. S. Ferguson, Reeve; J. F. Cooney, H. K. Kerr, W. J. Graham and Thos. H. McKee.
The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.
Applications were received from A. Chard, R. G. Kingston, Alexander McConaghy and Geo. L. Scott for the office of assessor, and from Jed. Green and David Shetler for that of Sanitary Inspector and Truant Officer.
The Reeve introduced a By-Law to appoint officers, and which was read a first time in open council.
On motion of Mr. McKee, seconded by Mr. Graham, the council was appointed a committee of the whole on by-laws, the Reeve appointing Mr. Graham chairman.

The By-Law having been read a second time in committee, the blanks were on motion filled in as follows:

Clark—John S. Black.
Treasurer—James Milne.
Assessor—R. G. Kingston.
Collector—Mr. Montgomery.
Auditors—Mordvin Bird, E. F. Parker, Sanitary Inspector and Truant Officer—Jed. Green.
Pondkeeper—Jerome Conley.
Fence Viewers—W. J. Spry, Wm. Kyle, Wm. Seales.
Caretaker of Cemetery—Geo. L. Scott.

The committee have reported the second reading, on motion of Mr. Cooney, seconded by Mr. Graham, the By-Law was read a third time, signed, sealed and numbered 109.

Mr. McKee gave notice that at the next meeting he would introduce a By-Law to repeal the By-Law enforcing the wearing of tags on dogs.
Tenders for municipal printing were received from the Belleville Intelligencer and the Sun and Marmora Herald. The sum asked being larger than the amount paid to the News-Argus, it was moved by Mr. McKee, seconded by Mr. Graham, that the printing be done in the Argus office as usual. Carried.

The following accounts were ordered to be paid:
John S. Black, registration births, marriages and deaths, and election expenses, \$21.00
L. Meiklejohn, 1 cord wood to P. P. Smith, 3.00
Givewood Bros., 1 cord wood to P. P. Smith, 2.25

Telephone ac. for messages during recent fire to Belleville fire dept. 1.00
On motion of Mr. Cooney, seconded by Mr. Graham, the communication from the Toronto Hospital for Sick Children was laid over for consideration.

On motion of Mr. McKee, seconded by Mr. Kerr, that Messrs. Cooney, Graham and Kerr be the Street Committee, Mr. Kerr being chairman. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Kerr, seconded by Mr. Cooney, the clerk was directed to purchase a pair of shoes for P. P. Smith. Moved by Mr. Cooney, seconded by Mr. Graham, that one cord of wood be given to Mr. Kerr. Carried.

On motion the Council adjourned.

JOHN S. BLACK, Clerk.

Death of Mrs. R. Wilson, Jr.

Belleville Sun.

One of the saddest deaths which has occurred in the city in some time took place Tuesday morning, when a young matron, in the full flush of youth, was called to her long home in the presence of Catharine Meagher, wife of Mr. Robert Wilson, jun., foreman of The Sun composing room. The deceased was aged 24 years and was a daughter of the late Michael Meagher. She had been a resident of this city for about five years, during which time she made many friends. She was married about eighteen months ago to Mr. Wilson, who, with an infant son, survives her. Her mother, six sisters and three brothers also survive her. Two or three weeks ago she contracted a cold which developed into pneumonia and caused her demise. Mr. Wilson and the relatives of the deceased have the sympathy of a large circle of friends in their great bereavement.

Hastings Richer Than Rossland.

Tweed News.

The above heading may be a little startling to some, but it is a fact nevertheless. A few weeks ago Sir Mackenzie Bowell, ex-premier of Canada, wished to ascertain the value of the mispickel ore in the Diamond mine, located in Hastings county, some miles north of Tweed, and owned by Dr. E. Stewart, of Madoc, and accordingly produced eight samples of the ore and sent them to the Smelter at Trail, B.C., for assay, and a few days ago he received a certificate from the assayer giving from 84 ounces (\$70) gold to 12 ounces (\$840) gold per ton of 2,000 lbs.

The News has it on very good authority that Mr. Heinzie, the owner of this smelter, will pay a visit to the mines in Hastings county early this spring. Such ore is in fact to attract the attention of capitalists and miners. British Columbia has never produced mispickel equal to these specimens, and in fact their equal has rarely been found anywhere. There is no doubt as to the fairness of the specimens sent, and there are tons of the same ore now on the dump at the Diamond mine.

Mr. Stewart has refused an offer of \$25,000 for this mine.

It is reported from Halifax that certain parties who are in the secret of the discovery of auriferous deposits in Labrador which come second only to those of the Klondike, are fitting out an expedition which will start next spring for the new gold fields, and which will prospect there during two or three months preparatory to taking up the best claims.

Men's Furnishings.

The Oak Hall can't say that the men's furnishing department is altogether complete yet. There is in fact a much larger store and in the course of a week or two days, you can find almost anything you need, as we intend making a special effort in men's furnishing goods. In the meantime our stock is pretty good. New shirts, collars, ties, etc., are in for spring and they are very pretty. Our English collars at 10c. are having a great run.

Wellman's Corners.

From Our Correspondent.

The Rev. Dr. White, of the Montreal Conference, occupied the pulpit here on Sunday last. The Rev. gentleman has been in our midst for over a week, and has delivered several very useful and instructive lectures. He delivered a lecture on Wednesday evening last to a large houseful of people. He is a man of much credit in due to the manner in which he held his audience; crowded as they were, they did not weary, but could have sat and listened to him much longer had he thought it profitable to have continued.

A large number from this place attended the ice races at Marmora on Wednesday and Thursday last week. The sleighing is very poor. If the soft weather continues we will be on wheels again. An odd buggy was seen passing through here on Sunday, which makes one think of spring again.

Mrs. W. Anderson is improving slowly.

The Wellman's Gun Club, which has been organized for some time in this place, are practising every other week.

Chas. Knox, of Port Hope, a brakeman on the G.T.R., was killed at Belleville on Friday last by falling between two freight cars just as a train approached the station.

In consideration of a \$30,000 bonus from the citizens large iron smelting works will be established at Deseronto. A by-law will shortly be submitted to the ratepayers. The Rathbun Co. is interested in the plant.

White Shirts 25c.

Not a job line with one size, but good goods, all sizes and plenty of them. The Oak Hall have them and are selling large quantities. How far where we get them is our secret. We think some merchants would like to know. The buyer should know. We offered white shirts at this price before.

Auction Sales.

FRIDAY, FEB. 25.—On Lot 10, Con. 6, Rawdon, the Farm Stock and Implements belonging to Mr. Wilmot Vandervoort. Sale at 1 p.m. Wm. Rodgers, Auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9.—On the east half of Lot 24, Con. 1, Rawdon, a number of high grade cattle and other stock and farm implements, the property of Mr. R. G. McKinnish. Sale at one o'clock p.m. Wm. Rodgers, Auctioneer.

Deaths.

WILSON.—At Belleville, on Tuesday, Feb. 8, 1898, Catharine Meagher, wife of Robert Wilson, jun., aged 24 years.

COXLEY.—In Huntingdon, on Feb. 15, CECIL B. COXLEY, son of Wm. Conley, aged 1 year, 1 month and 25 days.

STIRLING MARKET.

Butter—15c to 15c per lb.
Eggs, fresh—13c to 13c per doz.
Farmers' Lard—10c to 10c per lb.
Apples, green—50c per bag.
Potatoes—90c to 40c per bag.
Beans—75c to 100c per bus.
Onions—75c per bag.
Chickens—6c per pound.
Geese—5c to 6c per lb.
Ducks—7c to 8c per lb.
Timothy seed—\$2.00 to \$2.25 per bus.
Hay—\$8.00 to \$8.00 per ton.
Oats—20c to 22c per bus.
Peas—38c to 40c per bus.
Pigs (large) 88c, to 40c per bushel.
Rye—35c, to 40c per bus.
Barley—25c, to 35c per bus.
Buckwheat—38c, to 40c per bus.
Wheat—65c, to 75c per bus.

Quality Counts.

We hold the opinion that the true measure of low prices is Quality, and we know this opinion is shared by hundreds, who, wishing good goods and deciding to judge for themselves as to prices, come to us. Our rapidly growing business shows that we retain them as customers, and the fact that we do so is proof in itself that, quality considered, our prices are as low as the lowest.

LOUR.—We handle Flour from several different mills, and would advise persons who will be requiring any quantity of Flour to purchase immediately, as there is every indication of the prices advancing.

SOAPS.—We are giving special values in Soaps.

TEAS.—Compare our 25c. with any Tea sold at the same price in the county. If it will not hold its own return it and we will refund your money.

MEATS.—We have just received a choice lot of English Breakfast Bacon and Sugar Cured and Pickled Meats. In fact we can furnish you with the material to set a table fit for a queen.

The highest market price paid for Butter, Eggs and Dried Apples.

WM. HOLDEN.

Klondyke Boots

As a proof that our Hand-Made Work is Right, we give you the following facts:

In 1897 we received Eleven orders for our Boots from British Columbia and Manitoba. In 1898, in January alone, we made four pairs for British Columbia and the Northwest Territories.

Our work is acknowledged to be the best, and our prices the lowest, quality considered, in N. Hastings.

Now here are some lines we want to clear out at once, and you can save money by buying at once.

Lumbermen's Sox & Rubbers,
Men's Felt Boots, **Women's Felt Boots,**
Wos. Felt Slippers, **Women's Overshoes,**
Men's Overshoes and Lined Rubbers.

GENUINE BARGAINS, AT
MARTIN & REYNOLDS'.

Furs Away Down Below Zero.

The Klondike Gold Region must have cast its shadows here to freeze us up in Canada. You all need FUR COATS, ULSTERS and CAPES. No such chances of ever getting them cheaper than now with J. BOLDRICK & SON. Now is the time for a lady who wants to get a high-toned SEAL CAPE for the price of a common one. Surprising reduction in price, and the quality of them is such as can only be bought in large towns.

JAS. BOLDRICK & SON.

SEE OUR WINDOWS!

NEW SHOES will be required, and the right place to buy them is at BROWN & McCUTCHEON'S. We have some of our Spring styles in already for your inspection. They are beauties. No matter what you wish to pay, if its 95c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00, we have the best quality, best value, best fitting Shoes at above prices made. Come and see.

We have some odd lines that we are clearing out at cost.
Fresh Eggs taken in exchange.

BROWN & McCUTCHEON, THE RELIABLE BOOT & SHOE MERCHANTS.

FIRE FIRE FIRE PARKER

Never does anything backward. He has carved his name in big letters upon the memory of the people by his straightforward manner of dealing, and will defy any person to say differently.

He Has Been Burned Out,

And is now offering Goods at greatly reduced prices for CASH. Boots & Shoes at less than COST. He has not the accommodation where he is, and must clear them out. DRY GOODS, FURNISHINGS, HATS & CAPS. Also, his GROCERY Stock is complete.

Any person wanting Bargains will please call and they will not regret. Everything is cheap.

The boxes have nearly all been broken off our CORSETS, and they must go quickly. Prices greatly reduced.

All Accounts must be paid at once. Repair as well as store.

Store in Masonic Block. E. F. PARKER.

THE NEWS-ARGUS

ONLY \$1.00 PER ANNUM.

Quality Counts. DAWDARD!

DAMAGED STOCK IN THE CONLEY BLOCK.

I will sell my entire stock at greatly reduced prices. Smoked Goods, we are almost giving them away.

SHELF HARDWARE, NAILS, BAR IRON, TINWARE, WRINGERS, STOVES, SAP BUCKETS & SPOUTS, in fact, almost everything you could mention.

I am going to clean out the whole stock at a big reduction.

L. MEIKLEJOHN.

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JAMES CURRIE.
Subscription Price, \$1.00 per year, (paid in advance. If not so paid, \$1.25 will be charged.)

Correspondence is invited on all legitimate subjects, the real name of the writer to be furnished the editor in every case. This rule has no exception.

ADVERTISING RATES.

For ordinary business advertisements: Charge PER LINE per week when inserted for 1 year, 2 mos, 3 mos

Whole col., down to half col. 7c. 5c. 3c.
Half col., down to quarter col. 5c. 3c. 2c.
Quarter col., down to 10 lines 3c. 2c. 1c.

If inserted less than three months 1 cent extra on above rates. If less than two months extra on above rates. If less than one month 1 cent extra on above rates.

These rates to be confined to the ordinary business of the commercial houses, and for such they will not be held to include Auction Sales, Removals, Co-partnership Notices, Private Advertisements of individuals, members of firms, property to let or for sale, etc.

Two inches, \$10 per year; for six months at the above rates; for three months, \$5 for one month. One inch, \$3 per year. Proportional cards, limited to six lines, \$4 per year. A column measures twenty inches.

Advertisements may be changed at the option of advertiser without extra charge. Transient advertisements, 5c. per line first insertion, 2c. per line each subsequent insertion.

Advertisements without special instructions inserted till forbid, and charged accordingly. Births, Marriages and Deaths inserted free. JOH. PETERSON of every description executed in neat and fashionable style, and on short notice.

THE STIRLING NEWS-ARGUS.

\$1.00 PER ANNUM IN ADVANCE.
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STIRLING, HASTINGS COUNTY, ONT., THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1898.

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BUSINESS CARDS.

T. E. OLIVER, D.D.S.,
DENTIST,
HONORARY GRADUATE OF TORONTO UNIVERSITY, and M.R.C.D.S. of Ontario.
Office—Over Parker's Drug Store.
Will visit Marmora every Thursday.

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I have for sale 1 Thoroughbred Tamworth Boar Pig, 4 to 12 months old. Also, 2 Poland China Pigs, 3 months old.
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The undersigned is prepared to take orders for Ground Feed, Rolled Oats, Pot Barley, Corn Meal, Flour, Bran & Shorts.
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But to open to your gaze our
IMMENSE STOCK OF SPRING GOODS,
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If you need a new Spring Cap, WE HAVE THEM.
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Look up your old Hat and see if you don't need a new one from WARD, the HATTER.
NEW SUITINGS
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At WARD'S,
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Factory Cotton from.....3c. up
25 yards good Flannelette for.....\$1.00 cash
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2c. Spools nearly gone. First come, first served.
Highest price paid for produce, bad Eggs excepted.
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ARE THE ORDER OF THE DAY.

While we have no damaged-by-fire Stock to offer you, we have a nice new and choice lot of goods that we are selling at damaged-by-fire prices. Every article is a bargain at the price asked, and every day a bargain day at our store.

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has no superior. A policy in it pays.
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Give Us a Rest.
All right. But you will rest easier if you have one of our big, cosy, Sleepy Hollow Chairs. You could fall back into that and rest to your heart's content.
It's worth trying. Come and see them.
Parlor Suites
I have lately received a big assortment of Parlor Suites. I am sure that I can satisfy you both in quality and price. I have a full line of all kinds of Shop, Office, or House Furniture. Call and see.
JAMES RALPH.

The Klondike Gold Fields.

Some interesting facts in reference to the Klondike or Yukon gold fields were given by Mr. L. D. Turner, president of the Alaska Trading and Mining Company in an interview in Montreal the other day.

Mr. Turner estimates that there will be well on to 200,000 men on the Yukon and its tributaries by next June. He thinks that a good many of them will find themselves disappointed, as they will not be able to continue their journey to the gold fields. There will be only 42 river steamers all told on the Yukon this summer, and all of them have already had all their available space for the entire season engaged in advance. He doesn't see how the thousands of people who will be carried to St. Michaels in the ocean steamers will find their passage up the river to Dawson City. One ocean steamer carries 500 to 800 passengers, while a river steamer on the Yukon can, as a rule, carry only some 200. A river steamer can make only two round trips from St. Michaels to Dawson City in one open season. Many have tried to make three round trips, but were generally stuck in the ice on the latter half of the trip. Coal must be used as fuel the first three hundred miles from the mouth of the Yukon, as no wood is found in that section. "The great rush of gold-seekers," continued Mr. Turner, "is being worked up by the railways running into Seattle for the sole purpose of selling tickets. Seattle is overflowing with gold-seekers, who are waiting there for spring to open before starting for the Klondike. Hotels and boarding houses are reaping a rich harvest of dollars. An empty room cannot be found in all Seattle."

The railroads on the other side of the line, according to Mr. Turner, are working a shrewd game. They are sending out agents, each of whom takes with him a bag of gold dust weighing fifteen or twenty pounds. He drops into a town in some northern state, displays the bag of glittering gold, and tells an enchanting tale of the way it was found in the Klondike. The townspeople and the country people flock about him and examine the precious dust. Having no clear demonstration that gold has come from the Klondike, the gold fever begins to rage immediately in that community, and almost every man wants to start for the Klondike the next morning. So the agent has no trouble in selling tickets for his railroad. Then he departs, and works another town.

Mr. Turner says that in the express companies' offices in Seattle, gold dust may be seen in great quantities. It is placed in small bags, and piled up like sacks of flour in a mill. To each bag is attached a ticket on which is written the number of ounces the bag contains, the name of the owner, and the destination.

A considerable industry in St. Bernard has sprung up as a result of the Klondike excitement. St. Bernards, being able to withstand the rigors of a far northern climate, are in great demand, and are selling in Seattle for from \$50 to \$75.

Mr. Turner also gave some interesting figures to show the prices of articles of food in the Klondike. A sack of flour, he said, which sold for 85 cents in Seattle or Victoria brings \$75 in Dawson City; pork, according to quality, is worth from 15 cents to 75 cents in Dawson City; bay rum sells \$1 a bottle; whiskey, beer, or any other liquor is 50 cents a drink, and all other supplies sell at proportionately high prices. Despite the high prices, however, there will be no starvation. Miners are whole-souled, manly men, and they will always provide provisions for the needy among them. Sacks of flour and provisions are piled with bags of gold dust in the miner's camp. A neighbor may come and eat a meal, and be welcome, but he may not carry away anything in his pockets. It is worth his life to be caught stealing.

How Boys Are Spoiled.

As a rule, the cause of the vicious or destructive habits of boys whose parents are in comfortable or affluent circumstances is a fundamental one. The primary and painfully fruitful error is the common teaching in such families, either by precept or example, or both, the industry is discreditable. Boys are not trained or taught the necessity of usefulness; they are trained and taught only to enjoy the luxury of idleness, and vice comes as naturally as night succeeds day. Such boys, if they happen to worry through necessity and other enervating indulgences, to manhood, are ever distanced in the race for honor and usefulness by the alley boys or the mountain boys, whose physical vigor is not dulled by luxury and indulgence. They are taught, not only in theory but in practice, that "hardness ever of hardness is mother," and they bring the highest physical vigor to the development of their mental powers. They force to the front, while the elegant boy must be supported by his friends or lag in the rear of the race for a livelihood if dependent upon his own efforts.—Philadelphia Times.

Many Clothing Bargains.
Some people do not want to buy clothing just exactly when they need it. Now sometimes this is a mistake. There is no doubt but if you took a look through the Oak Hall stock right now you would find some very tempting bargains in both suits and overcoats. This is between seasons, and we are clearing out our stock before the spring trade commences.

Manitoba Gold.

The Prairie Province Excited Over Recent Finds.

The Yukon gold fever has given many people in Manitoba who must stay at home an incentive to prospect in their various neighborhoods, and the result has been the discovery of galena, gold quartz, and placer gold. The galena was found in bondi form near Austin, a station on the C. P. R., about one hundred miles west of Winnipeg. A specimen was sent to the city for examination, and an assay showed \$38.40 of silver to the ton. The locality where this mineral was picked up is on the western margin of the ancient lake known as Lake Agassiz, and was probably deposited there by glacial drift from the Huronian district to the east of Winnipeg; perhaps was carried from as far east as Lake Superior. The gold quartz was found on the Pembina Mountain in southern Manitoba, and its presence there may doubtless be accounted for in the same manner as the galena. But the most interesting find is that of placer gold in the Little Saskatchewan River, which runs from the Riding Mountains in northwestern Manitoba. At Minnesota, some miles south of the lake, placer gold in small quantities can be washed out of the gravel in the river bed. The late Mr. Ayerst passed gold both from the river bed and from gravel taken from a cellar excavation, some years ago. His widow, who now lives in Toronto, had this gold as a mantle shelf curiosity until quite recently. A short time ago another woman washed a quantity of gravel and got a number of "colors." The presence of placer gold in this stream is of more than passing interest from the fact that valuable gold quartz deposits have been found north of the Saskatchewan River, and the gold in the Riding Mountains is probably the southern limit of the northern mineral area, which practically connects the mineral belt of northwestern Ontario with that of Yukon, and it is not improbable that in the vast territory south and west of Hudson's Bay rich belts of mineral will be found. Mr. Synell, geologist, in the narrative of his trip through the barren lands, drew attention to the fact that there are indications of much mineral wealth throughout the region, and expresses the belief that many years the miner will be at work there reclaiming from mother earth her rich treasures. Mr. Chas. Beeg, who was a member of one of the Franklin search expeditions, informs our correspondent that there is native copper in immense boulders on Coppermine River, which flows into Coronation Gulf in the Arctic Ocean. This river is navigable for sea-going ships for a considerable distance into the interior. Ships going there, however, would have to winter in the river, owing to the short period of navigation.

Christian Endeavor Notes.

When Societies Die.
What is the cause of the death of a Christian Endeavor Society? Why does it cease to exist? What makes it disband? No doubt many widely different things. Sometimes, and oftentimes, it is want of spiritual life. Sometimes it is that which is inimical to the spiritual life. Sometimes it is want of work for the good of others, want of sympathy on the part of the pastor of the church, or want of harmony and the true Christian spirit in the Society itself. Spiritual life is the life of the C. E. Society. Therefore let every member keep close to Christ who would see the Society flourish and bring forth abundant fruit.

Work for the Society to Do.
Here is one method of working which we highly commend, as it has been tested, and proven of great value to the members themselves and those for whom they wrought. It is called "The Willing Workers' Guild." It is a pastor's band, and has three articles in its constitution. 1st, I promise to speak to at least one unconverted person each week; 2nd, I promise to pray for them and diligently seek their conversion; 3rd, I promise to report their cases to the pastor monthly. Above is the text Rev. XXII, 17, and below Prov. XI, 80, and Dan. XII, 3.

Criticism of the C. E. in England.
"The British Weekly," the first religious weekly in England, has been taking a very deep interest in the C. E. movement, and has devoted two pages to answers to questions it sent out asking whether it increased attendance at church and prayer meeting or not. The answers were very diverse, and this week an editorial interview to the Society. We think well of the criticism, it is made in good spirit and will do good. It is desirous of seeing the Society exemplify its motto—"For Christ and the Church." And it lays down this position as the test of every thing done by the Christian life, "that church work vindicates itself or fails to vindicate itself by its effect on the health and prosperity of the church." It says again, "We are quite willing to go no farther than this, and to judge every Society and every movement by its effect on the great Society instituted by the Lord Jesus Christ." That we submit a fair test, and any Society that cannot stand that is not worthy to live.

STIRLING CASH STORE

Some Facts about Prices here this week that we want you to know.

We want you to know that you can buy 40 inch Pillow Cotton for 10c., worth fully 15c.
Grey Cotton, 35 inches wide, 3c. per yard.
Check Shirts, 5c.
Also, the heaviest Shirting made, weighs 3 yds. to the lb. 12c. in all colors, stripes and checks.
Lace Curtains, 25c. a pair.
Now something about Flannelette. We begin them at 4c. per yd.; a fine one, 4 yds. for 25c., and the heaviest Flannelette in the market, 36 inches wide, regular 12c., for 10c., while they last.
Curtain Poles, wood rings and ends, 20c. each.
Art Muslins, 7c., 8c., 10c.
Black Lustre Dress Goods, plain and figured, special value, 25c.
A line of Wrapperette, special, 7c.

We are paying 15c. for good No. 1 Butter. Also, Fresh Eggs wanted. Highest price paid.

T. G. CLUTE.

CROCKERY - CROCKERY

Just opened up a large crate of Crockery & Glassware of the choicest kind. Call and see our gilt edge Tea and Dinner Sets at very reasonable prices.

FLOUR. --- FLOUR.

Our Flour is giving good satisfaction.

OYSTERS

Furnished for oyster suppers.

WANTED.

Butter, Eggs, Potatoes, Dressed Hogs and Poultry. Highest prices paid for same.

CALL AND SEE

Remedies of Mammoth Southern Sweet, Red Cob, and Improved Learning Corn. Will take orders for the above.

S. HOLDEN.

FOR SALE—A valuable farm in Huntington. Apply to S. HOLDEN, Stirling.

Stirling Horticultural Society

The members of the Stirling Horticultural Society are requested to send in their choice of specimens to the Secretary on or before Friday, 4th of March, as list will be sent up immediately thereafter to send to the Secretary of the Fruit Growers' Association. A list of the premiums to select from will be found in the Horticulturist.

JAMES CURRIE, Secretary.

FARM TO LET.

The south-east quarter of Lot 2, in the 3rd Con. of Rawdon, is offered to let on reasonable terms. Apply on the premises to SAMUEL FARLEY.

Notice of By-Law.

Notice is hereby given that a By-Law will be passed at the regular meeting of the Rawdon Township Council, which meeting will be held on Monday, the Fourth day of March, 1898. Said By-Law will authorize the stopping up and sale by Public Auction of part of the road allowance between Lots No. 1 and 2 in the Second Concession of the Township of Rawdon, in the County of Hastings, beginning at the Second Concession line and extending north to the centre line of the road. The date of such sale to be fixed by said By-Law.
THOS. C. MCCONNELL,
Township Clerk.

The official quarterly Board of the Hallway St. Methodist Church, Belleville, has extended an invitation to Rev. R. L. Edwards, of West Huntington, to become pastor of the church next June, in succession to Dr. Cade, whose term of three years will then expire.

Miss Frances E. Willard, President of the World's and National Women's Christian Temperance Union, died at New York at an early hour on Friday morning last, from an attack of influenza with gastric complications. She had been ill for about three weeks.

These \$50. White Shirts.

The Oak Hall, Belleville, have received another shipment of these cheap unadorned shirts. In this lot we have the best size, 12 to 14. We have every size in stock from 12 to 17 inches. Call in and examine them.

CHAPTER VI.

Half an hour afterward fashionable and self-indulgent Lady Yorke stood in the poorest cottage in Sandy Fields, looking round her in horror and dismay.

means of gaining her livelihood in her hands than to give her money enough to live upon.'

"She is a troublesome visitor," I said with a laugh.

The heaviest baby known is reported from a village near Brussels, where a farmer's wife has just given birth to a child weighing over 21 pounds, which is declared by experts to be the heaviest known.

PERSISTENT MILKERS

her term or usefulness is materially lengthened, her offspring will inherit these good qualities and themselves make cows when matured.

ART OF WINTER FEEDING.

The produce from the farm is fed simply, not so much to provide

The produce from the farm is

First, I would select a piece of land double the size required. One-half I would sow in clover, to enrich the soil, the other half I would put in garden and fruit, so as to change the garden every three years and follow with clover. Then your garden would soon be free from weeds and become very productive with but little labor and

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both fruit and garden, could then be worked with the horse and cultivator after the first time with hand cultivator. I would use the best implements manufactured. They are the

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will pay as a cash crop over and above the inestimable value derived, in health, pleasure, satisfaction, etc., etc., of seeing the crop grow and mature, furnishing fresh vegetables and fruits for every day in the year.

FREQUENT CULTIVATION OF POTATOES

The old maxim that "tillage is

off in yield, a fact which should be particularly noticed, as it is a common practice for a farmer to cultivate his potato crop three or four times and then "lay it by" until harvest.

FARM NOTES.

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lantern slipped on, and the wire again fastened. It doesn't pay to take any unnecessary risks with the lantern in the barn.

Sheep need a variety of food, and their condition will be improved by giving them an occasional variation. Clover hay is, of course, the most valuable for sheep feeding. Peas and corn

oat straw is good for the second
Basis of almost any description

The following maxims have recently been published in a paper for young folks, and one cannot resist the shrewd suspicion that they are intended not so much for dolls, as for dolls' owners. As such, it is recommended that they be read and pondered.

mother, lest she should hurt her

A doll should keep away from rocking-chairs, as the rockers may crush her.

A Business Parable.

You Cannot Fail to Appreciate the Point in this Story.

Once a farmer had 1,800 bushels of wheat, which he sold not to a single grain merchant, but to 1,800 different dealers, a bushel each. A few of them paid him in cash, but for the greater number he had to wait until they would pay later. A few months passed, and the man's bank account ran low. "How is this?" he said. "My 1,800 bushels of grain should have kept me in affluence until another crop is raised, but I have parted with the grain and have instead only a vast number of accounts, so small and scattered that I cannot get around and collect fast enough to pay expenses."

So he posted up a public notice and asked all those who owed him to pay quickly. But few came. The rest said: "Mine is only a small matter, and I will go and pay one of these days," forgetting that though each account was very small, when all were put together they meant a large sum to the man. Things went on thus. The man got to feeling so badly that he fell out of bed and awoke, and running to his granary found his 1,800 bushels of wheat still safe there. He had only been dreaming.

Moral.—The next day the man went to the publisher of his paper and said: "Here, sir, is the pay for your paper, and when next year's subscription is over, you can depend on me to pay it promptly. I stood in the position of an editor last night, and I know how it feels to have one's honestly earned money scattered all over the country in small amounts.—Union Signal.

Tuftsville.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Mr. L. Robinson sends large shipments of Eggs and Poultry to the Royal Victoria Hospital in Montreal every week.

A lecture was given on the evening of the 17th in aid of the E. L. C. of E. in Hallway. Rev. E. L. Adams, a former pastor, was expected to give the lecture, but on account of the storm was unable to attend. Rev. H. Duke gave a very interesting lecture on India instead.

Miss L. Juby gave a Birthday Party to a number of her young friends on the evening of the 18th. A very enjoyable time was spent, the hostess doing all she could for the enjoyment of her guests.

T. P. Bennett has started to attend the Albert College at Belleville. Geo. Bennett and his sister, Mrs. Irvin is spending a couple of weeks in Kingston with relatives.

Wellman's Corners.

From Our Own Correspondent.

A very enthusiastic meeting was held at Harold Town Hall on Saturday evening last on behalf of Mr. B. O. Lott, Liberal candidate for North Hastings. Much interest was taken in the organizing and arranging of the business for the coming contest.

The people in this vicinity have been busy getting up ice for the past two weeks.

A conservative meeting was held here in the Orange Hall on Thursday evening.

Mrs. John Pauley is slowly recovering after a spell of sickness.

Mrs. W. Anderson is around once more.

Mr. Alvie Hogle spent Saturday in Belleville.

Mr. Joe Brown, of Plum Grove Creamery, paid a flying trip to Lindsay one day last week.

Plum Grove Butter Creamery, under the professional skill of Mr. J. Kerr, is running along in its usual manner.

Butter being always good, people at the present time leads the people of this section to believe strongly in winter dairying. By the way in which the farmers are cranking up the section in order to prepare winter feed for their cows, we are led to believe that in the course of 10 or 12 years winter dairying will be the leading business.

Foxboro Notes.

From Our Own Correspondent.

The W. C. T. U. held an open meeting on Sunday evening, Feb. 13. The President, Mrs. J. N. Laird, occupied the chair, and a very interesting and instructive program was presented.

The Canadian Order of Chosen Friends gave an oyster supper in the South Church on Monday evening, Feb. 14. The supper was gotten up by Mr. Jas. Wallace, Caterer, of Belleville, and was served in grand style. After all had their fill of oysters and other good things they repaired to the body of the church and Dr. D. W. Faulkner, medical examiner for the Society, took the chair.

A good programme was rendered consisting of songs by Mr. Bell, Past-Grand Chief Councilor, of Kingston, Rev. Mr. Dixon, of Canifon, and Rev. Mr. Duke, of Foxboro; recitations by Mr. Honeywell, of Foxboro, Miss Ethel Adams and Miss Mary Lake; singing by Rev. Mr. Wilkinson and children, of Foxboro, Miss Foster, Mrs. Ashley and Mr. Vermilyea; instrumental solos by Misses Leslie and Faulkner.

Miss Elizabeth Snider is seriously ill of asthma and pneumonia.

Mr. Willie Ashley has returned from the Northwest where he intends residing for the future.

Mr. Jas. Wickett, of Toronto, spent a few days with his uncles, Messrs. Daniel and Richard Wickett, of Foxboro.

Miss Orme, from the northern part of Hastings is the guest of her cousin, Miss Annie Clark.

Mr. J. N. Laird's Sunday School class has been doing some home mission work in the way of a quilt for Mrs. Gifford.

The candidates for east Hastings have been making calls in this vicinity. From the appearance of things we are sure Mr. Russell is his favorite one.

The roof of Oshawa Music Hall caved in on Sunday night. No one hurt.

Madeo Junction Items.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Miss Florence Ashley of Huntington, is visiting her brother, Mr. H. Ashley. Mrs. Jas. Clarke has returned home from Madeo and vicinity, where she has been visiting for the past two weeks. Miss Clara Clark, daughter of Stirling, spent a few days here the guest of Ella Clarke. Mrs. H. Ashley is on the sick list. Mr. and Mrs. McQuill of Smithfield, were visiting Mrs. W. S. Clarke. The Hornerite meetings are still in progress. Meeting every night in the week, and twice on Sunday.

Here is Success for You.

"Inside figures" are always interesting, and the following are certainly some striking ones. The Dominion, for instance, during 1897, 8,383,113 copies of this magazine were printed and so thoroughly sold that the latter year's issues are entirely out of print. It consumes 3,434,682 pounds of paper in a year, and 3,822 pounds of ink. It runs 25 presses. The advertising columns contained 208,325 words of advertisement. The Dominion has received 920 manuscripts and less than one per cent were accepted. The magazine editors received 24,938 letters in the year by the editors of the correspondence columns. The Dominion has received 45,415 letters from agents on the road getting subscriptions. It has charged under its free educational plan. In a single day it has received as high as 18,000 orders. 241,000 copies of the Dominion are sold each month on the news stands alone—425,000 people subscribe for it by the year.

A statement of the affairs of Berkinshaw & Co., of Trenton, who recently made an assignment, showed liabilities of \$31,117, and assets of \$21,235. It is stated a compromise has been effected at 55 cents on the dollar.

A Hamilton despatch says the hotel keepers there are subscribing to the fund to fight the prohibition question, and promised by the Dominion Government. It is said that the fund all over Canada will probably amount to a million dollars.

OLD ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

Historically It is Among the Most Interesting Churches in the Country.

Historically and in the relics of the past, Old St. John's Church is one of the few in America are more interesting than Old St. John's at Portsmouth, N. H. The founding of the parish dates from 1638, but the present edifice is modern. It was built in 1806, and the good man who preached the dedication sermon described it as a work of stupendous magnitude. It is not, however, the building which attracts us, but its belongings. Here we see the old prayer book, with the prayer for the president pasted over that for the king; the "Vinegar" Bible, of which only 40 copies were printed, and but five of which are in the United States. The bell which calls the parish to prayers is a capture from Louisiana, and, although twice recast, once by Paul Revere, since its voice was heard in its foreign home, it is yet the same old bell. An arm chair, which stands behind the altar rail was a gift from Queen Caroline, but is now known as the Washington chair, having been occupied by the first president of the United States when he attended service in the old church.

Admiral Farragut was buried from St. John's, and the reading table is made of wood from his flagship. A strange bit of treasure trove is the heavy porphyry font taken from an old church in Portsmouth and captured by the English from the French off the coast of Africa. Every Sunday 12 loaves of bread are placed upon this font and distributed to 12 old women, in accordance with the terms of one Theodore Eccleston's will, a testament, and because of a gift by will the church is still heated by wood fires.—Nashua (N. H.) Telegraph.

The Child at the Play.

The 6-year-old son of a newspaper man occasionally goes to the matinee with his mother, but the trouble with him is that he becomes greatly excited and is apt to express his feelings in words, to the amusement of the audience, but somewhat to the annoyance of the actors. At a recent play one of the actors was in the act of choking an other whom he suspected of being guilty of a crime. As the actor went toward the supposed villain with his hands outstretched the boy became greatly excited, and as the men clinched the boy stood up and called out, "Say, let him alone, he didn't do it." There was a laugh from the audience and a surprised look from the stage.

At another time, in a play where a husband suspected his wife, and she was pleading to be taken home and given an opportunity to prove her innocence, the boy could not stand the woman's pleas and the husband's cold reception of her entreaties, and he called out, "Please, mister, take her back."

The boy has not been taken to the theater recently.—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

Time Is Also Crucial.

Mrs. Birkin was dissolved in tears. "You have changed," she sobbed; "you have changed most cruelly. You love me no more. You no longer sit with your arm encircling my waist, as with your custom before we were married."

"Good heavens, Antoinette!" exclaimed Mr. Birkin. "You should have married an India rubber man."

Alas! it was too true. Mrs. Birkin had also changed.—London Tit-Bits.

Cultured Instincts.

"Our cook is so refined!" "Is she?" "Yes. She has never broken anything but our most expensive and artistic china."—Detroit Free Press.

The humming bird, in protecting its nest, always flies at and pecks the eyes of its adversary. Others have been found totally blind from the humming bird's bill.

Britisher can send a closed letter to any part of the British Isles for a penny, provided it does not weigh more than a quarter pound.

HE LOVED THE SEA.

Tennyson Used to say, "From the Dunes of the Isle of Wight."

Tennyson said, "Somehow water is the element I love best of all four," but in the recent memoir he is also credited with saying that he "never craved greatly for the sea on the south coast. It is not a grand sea, only an angry, curt sea."

Probably that was a view expressed before he had seen the sea with the locality, for though the Atlantic does not plunge against the Isle of Wight as against Cornwall and the west of Ireland he himself has proved how much he loved the sea, and how much he loved the dunes. Let the weather be fair or foul, nature is never dull from the vantage ground of those convexities which seem like the rim of the earth, and give an illusion of vastness and openness beyond their actual area. Men striding on ridges and etched against the sky indeed seem "as trees walking."

The wind rustling in the sea, the sea rising and falling, the sea churning among the bowlders, the occasional howling of a steamer for a pilot, the swallows crying in their low flights and the gulls screaming give the only sounds. When the sea is calm, over the dunes, a strange sense of being disembodied possesses us, and we are lost in the impenetrable vapor, and the gulls pass over our heads, visible for an instant, they flash into obscurity and obscurity, in times of storm one seems to be at the seat of the elements and a witness to all their processes. The clouds roll and break against the cliffs like another sea, and amidst the sea and the dunes there is a silver swath over the vexed and somber billows. On sultry days a water-spout, whirling like a dervish, is no uncommon sight, and he who makes the dunes his observatory becomes witness in all the phenomena of sea and air. Climbing them at night gives one the feeling of scaling the walls of heaven itself. They slope like the sides of a pyramid, and the apex of the pyramid impales the stars. On sunny days the sea is purple, and every shade of blue and green that can be thought of, (even to use one of Tennyson's own descriptions) "like a peacock's neck."

Rarely was there a visitor at Farringford that he was not brought up to the beach, and he would then lean over the dunes, and look down at the sea, and the sea would be his. Except in his closing years the poet was found upon them in all weathers and at all seasons, and from them and the surrounding scenery he drew many of the landscapes of his poems.—North American Review.

DOG OPENED FATHER'S EYES Experience of a Man Who Had Several Growing Girls.

"It is quite interesting to be the father of several growing girls," said one of a group of family men in the smoker of a suburban car.

"Yes," answered another one, with a shrug of his shoulders, "especially when the girls are all so different, and as soon as I want new gowns at the same time."

"I wasn't thinking of that," said the first speaker, "but of a way they have of taking the wind out of your own sails. It never occurred to me until the other morning that it was not so me that young fellows kept dropping in to play cards and make themselves agreeable. I tumbled at last, but it was my hunting dog Jack that opened my eyes."

"Your hunting dog?" echoed the crowd.

"Yes. I had heard of nearly every kind of a plan for the communication of lovers except a dog. In this case Jack became Cupid's messenger. Those boys borrowed the dog ostensibly to go hunting, but I have learned since that they didn't knock a gun from a hawk's beak. They took up overcoats, and as soon as he got out in the morning he made a bee line for home. If I hadn't seen the corner of a paper sticking from under his collar I should never have suspected the eagerness with which these girls tried to head him off from me."

"He had a letter for them?"

"No. Just a note asking the privilege of seeing dear Miss Kate or Miss Sue in the park for a walk and a chat. Nice idea, employing the dog of the family in a clandestine correspondence. I answered that note myself, and the two girls haven't spoken to me since. Jack is tied up, and I'm watching the cat now, for I have no doubts they'll find a way to circumvent me."—Chicago Times-Herald.

Effects of a Bee Sting.

An English physician relates an instance of a lady who was stung by a bee. At the first moment she seemed to pay very little attention to it, but very soon her face became flushed and spots appeared all over her body. Suddenly she developed a most severe attack of asthma, finding great difficulty in breathing. Another instance is that of a young lady who was stung on the back of her head by an ordinary honey-bee. In less than five minutes her face began to swell, and very marked red and white spots appeared all over the surface of the body. The swelling extended over the entire person, accompanied by severe pain, burning and numbness. The eyes were almost closed and the countenance was so distorted as to be unrecognizable. Very free bathing in soda water, with a little soda taken internally, and hot applications to the feet and through massage finally afforded relief, but it was some hours before the patient recovered from what was truly an alarming condition. Violent attacks of nervousness accompanied the trouble, and the sense of suffocation was almost intolerable. The young woman had been stung a number of times before without any apparent unpleasant result. The physicians were of the opinion that the bee had been feeding upon some extremely poisonous plant, which of the sting. Be that as it may, the condition was such as to excite grave apprehensions, and more so as it was several days before recovery was complete.—New York Ledger.

THE SUEZ CANAL.

The sun has vanished out of my sight, And the moments only roll, For my heart is dark with the thought of night, And the night is in my soul.

The day is set and never will rise, And my heart is dark with the thought of night, For the sweet, sweet light of my true love's Will shine for me no more.

My very sleep of rest is shorn, I am full of pain and care—A sick with the thought of what I have borne And of what is left to bear.

I see the rose with blushes fired, I hear the brook run by, But I am staid, so sick and tired, I almost long to die.

For I know the sun will dry the stream, And the flow'et fade in the frost, And I know that my dream is all a dream, And the charm of the dream is lost.

There will never, never be any more light, For my hope and I must part, And my soul is dark with the thought of night, And the night is in my heart.

—Alice Cary in New York Ledger.

NEW YORK'S GROWTH.

The City Has Never Halting Since It Was First First Started.

Ernest Ingersoll writes a paper on the Greater New York, entitled "Reasoning Out a Metropolis," for St. Nicholas.

The people of New York, Brooklyn, Staten Island and certain nearby northern towns resolved to join themselves together into one city, which is now the Greater New York. It embraces 841 square miles of territory and includes a population of nearly 4,400,000.

Besides these at least another million dwell on the New Jersey side of the Hudson river, quite as near and as closely identified with the great city on Manhattan Island as are the people of the northern and eastern suburbs. This makes a population of nearly 4,600,000 which may be said to belong to New York, making it not only by far the largest center of human life and interests in America, but, excepting only London, the most populous spot on the globe.

How has it happened that this vast city has grown up where it stands? Why did not the American metropolis grow somewhere else? Is its position an accident, or does history show sound reasons for its situation? The earliest settlement here was merely a trading station that gradually became a small seaport, like a dozen others along the coast.

But the city of New York grew so near to the water that it was a wise prophet who truly foretold which would thrive. Indeed many men of that day firmly believed that Newport and Annapolis were to be the two great American seaports.

Great cities arise at the points where the greatest number of people find it convenient to meet at first for business and later for pleasure. You cannot force a city to grow in an unnatural or unsuitable situation, and it is easier to vent a city from growing in its proper place. But the conditions that change a village into a big town and expand the town into a city or metropolis are not the same in different parts of the globe and vary with the march of the centuries, so that now many an ancient world market, like Nineveh or Memphis, has totally disappeared, while towns like Berlin have lately increased with amazing rapidity, after a long history as small and insignificant places.

New York, it is now generally agreed, grew back for a moment since it was fairly started on its career in 1623.

Turn Down Collars for 10 Cents.

The Oak Hall, Belleville have been selling collars at 10 cents each for about three weeks. We have had all the best stock in the city, and the ordinary turn-down one. This line we have received, and our assortment is now complete. All sizes and all shapes 10 cents each.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF WILLIAM LYONS, late of the Township of Sidney, in the County of Hastings, Farmer.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to the Revised Statutes of Ontario, chap. 119, sec. 36, and amending acts, to all creditors and other persons claiming against the estate of William Lyons, late of the Township of Sidney, in the County of Hastings, Farmer, deceased, who died on or about the 22nd day of November, A. D. 1885, to send by post, prepaid, or otherwise, to George Lyons Stirling, P. O. Adm., deliver to George Lyons Stirling, on or before Saturday, the 5th day of March, A. D. 1898, a list of their claims, with their names and addresses, and full particulars of their claims, and the nature of the same, so that the same may be examined and adjusted.

And notice is further given that after the said date mentioned the said executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been given as required.

All persons indebted to the said estate are also hereby notified to hand in the amount of their indebtedness on or before the 5th day of March next to the said administrator.

GEORGE LYONS, Administrator. J. EARL HALLIWELL, Solicitor for Administrator. Dated the 8th day of February, A. D. 1898.

STIRLING MEAT MARKET

LOOK HERE

Do not forget the place where you can get something nice to eat in the meat market, and for sale at any time. Call in and see for yourself. But I must leave you to carry on the business, and all accounts due up to January 1st, 1898, must be settled at once without fail.

GERMAN SINE, STIRLING MEAT MARKET NO. 1. Jan. 25, 1898.

Ripans Tabules cure dizziness. Ripans Tabules cure headache. Ripans Tabules cure indigestion. Ripans Tabules cure flatulency. Ripans Tabules cure torpid liver.

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BUY THE BEST

And when you can secure this without an extra outlay in money it is to your interest to seek and find it. We have the Best Stock of Boots & Shoes for our Spring Trade ever brought to Stirling, and when you are in need of Foot Wear call and see us. It will pay you. Boots made to order. It is needless to tell you we make the best, you know it. Eggs taken in exchange for Boots.

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CROCKERY!

I desire to specially call your attention to my lines of Crockery. I have just added a large quantity to my stock, and am now able to show you a complete range, that will be sure to appeal to your judgment when buying. My prices are right.

Don't forget my store when you want Choice, Good, Groceries. My stock is fresh and up-to-date, and you need not want for the best when you can get it here.

I make all kinds of Cakes to order. Fresh Bread always.

FISH and WINDSOR SALT always kept in stock.

JOHN SHAW.

AT * HALF * PRICE!

JACKETS We have too many Ladies' and Children's Cloth Coats, and we are going to clear them all out at Just Half Price. This is much less money than these garments cost us from the best makers in Germany, but we haven't the room or the inclination to carry them over. Our loss will be your gain. They are every one this season's new styles, and were cheap at the original price.

Think of buying a \$10 Coat for \$5, or a \$5 Coat for \$2.50, or a \$15 Coat for \$7.50. It would pay you to buy a new Coat now for next winter.

WHITE QUILTS We have just bought a large quantity of White Crochet Bed Quilts, full 10 x 4 size, regular price \$1.25 each, which we will run at 93 CENTS EACH.

If you can't come in, send for one or more of these, and if you are not perfectly satisfied we will return you the money.

GEO. RITCHIE & CO., BELLEVILLE.

TO BOOT AND SHOE PURCHASERS.

Possibly there are some readers of the "News-Argus" that are not aware that we have a regular Boot & Shoe Department. To these, as well as to our many customers who have been availing themselves of the Bargains to be found in this Department, we wish to announce

A SPECIAL SALE FOR THE NEXT 15 DAYS

Men's, Wos, and Children's Boots, Shoes & Rubbers at sweeping reductions. Mr. Alex. McDonnell, formerly of Stirling, will be happy to meet his many friends in this department.

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Note Papers, 3c., 5c., 10c. a quire.
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All parties indebted
to us will please
call and settle before
March 1st, and oblige

H. & J. WARREN,
THE HARDWARE & TINWARE MERCHANTS,
MILL ST.

H. L. Hastings on Poverty.

H. L. Hastings, of Boston, says many
good things, and the following short reference
to poverty, which is from his pen, is
well worth reading. "Blessed are the
poor, but that depends upon the kind of
poverty. The man who pays five dollars
to take his family to the circus half a day,
and cannot pay five cents to have them go
to meeting is poor, but there is a very
little blessedness for him. A great deal
of poverty is due to extravagance. If poor
that cost money, a great deal of benefit
would be felt in homes where much distress
now exists.

Rev. Robt. Wallace of the Marchmont
Home, has sailed for London. He will
return in April with a consignment of
children for the Home.

A Well-Dressed Man.

Who prides himself on being tasteful in
his appearance pays particular attention
to the minor details of his apparel. The
Oak Hall, Belleville, cater to the best taste
in men's furnishings. In ties we would
like you to see our newest, bow, knots
and four-in-hand goods. The fact that
they sell for only 25c., is an additional
point in their favor.

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ordinary type, 10c. per line.
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RAILWAY TIME TABLE.
Trains call at Stirling station as follows:
GOING WEST. GOING EAST.
Mail, 6:15 a.m. Mail, 2:30 p.m.
Mixed, 6:30 a.m. Mixed, 3:00 p.m.

The Stirling News-Argus.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1898.

LOCAL MATTERS.

There was a rather slim attendance
at the churches on Sunday last on account
of the storm.

Members of the Stirling Horticultural
Society will please read advt. respecting
premiums in another column.

Yesterday being Ash-Wednesday,
Communion and Holy Communion
were held in St. John's Church at 9:30
a.m.

Stirling Division, Sons of Temperance
No. 76, intend holding a "Valentine
Tea" in their lodge room on Friday (to-
morrow) evening. All members invited.

A public meeting, to be addressed by
Mr. B. O. Lott and others, will be held
in the Music Hall in this village on
Monday evening next, Feb. 28th.

Losses Paid \$5,084.06.

We hereby desire to tender our sincere
and hearty thanks to the Guardian, Nor-
wich Union, and Gore Insurance Companies
for their prompt and liberal settlement of
our claims against them, caused by the
fire which destroyed our property on the
morning of Feb. 16th. Payment was received
through W. S. Martin, agent of the above
companies.

L. MEIKLEJOHN,
E. F. PARKER,
JAMES CURRIE.

The entertainment given in the Music
Hall on Wednesday evening, under the
auspices of Stirling Lodge No. 314, A.
O. U. W., was not as largely attended
as it deserved. The programme ren-
dered by Miss Thompson and Mr. Burton
was an excellent one, and was worthy
of a bumper house.

Club Shooting Match.

On Wednesday, Belleville Gun Club
drove here for the return match with
the Stirling Club. The day was all
that could be desired, and good shooting
was done. Stirling Club was defeated
in Belleville a few weeks ago, but yester-
day turned the tables, Stirling win-
ning by 10 points. Following is the
score:—

Belleville.	Stirling.
F. Rote.....	S. C. J. Boldrick.. 19.
H. Day.....	M. Bird..... 18.
H. Hamilton..	J. Green..... 15.
H. Hope.....	E. Barry..... 23.
R. Day.....	C. E. Parker..... 11.
W. Chrysler..	S. F. Ferguson... 14.
Geo. Johnson..	G. H. Conley... 13.
C. Herring... 10.	D. Sage..... 13.
Judge Fraleck 15.	W. Parker..... 9.

The Belleville boys were banqueted
at the Stirling House, where an enjoy-
able time was spent until about mid-
night, the visitors then returning home.

MISS LILLIAN STICKLE,
TEACHER OF VIOLIN.
Will teach at my home, or at home of
pupil.

Wedding Bells.

A pretty little wedding was celebrat-
ed at 5 p.m., Tuesday, in St. Thomas'
Church, Rawdon, by the Rector, Rev.
F. Newham, the contracting parties
being Mr. Wm. Courtenay, of the 8th
con., and Miss Tanner, eldest daughter
of Mr. John Tanner. The bride was
pretty dressed in pale blue and cream
colored silk and was given away by her
father. Miss F. Bateman acted as
bridesmaid and Mr. Adam Burnett as
best man. The ceremony was witness-
ed by many friends of the family, after
which the party retired to the bride's
old home to extend congratulations and
take part in the good things in store for
them. The News-Argus with their
many friends, wishes them a prosperous
journey through life.

The Conversation.

St. John's Ladies' Guild Conversa-
tion was held in the music hall Tuesday
evening. The tables had been prettily
arranged by the ladies, and an impromptu
programme drawn up. Besides the
ladies in the Guild who kindly assisted,
musically, and otherwise, were Miss
Lily Stickle with the violin, and Mr. C.
E. Parker. Refreshments were served
during the evening and were followed
by an auction sale of pictures purchas-
ed for the occasion, which proved to be
the feature of the evening. The ladies
are to be congratulated on this their
first effort, and while we hear that good
receipts were netted, we feel sure that
much larger attendance would have
been forthcoming had the weather been
more favorable.

From Manitoba.

Mr. N. Clark, formerly a resident of
Rawdon Township, but for some years
farming at Killarney, Manitoba, in re-
newing his subscription to THE NEWS-
ARGUS, writes:

"We have a most remarkably fine
winter. Very little snow, in fact, and
wheat land is in fine condition for seed-
ing. During the day the thermometer
runs as high as 39° to 50° above zero.
Stock of all kinds doing fine grazing up-
on the prairie during the day, and fre-
quently choose the prairie feed in pre-
ference to the stable. It is without doubt
the finest winter I ever knew in Eng-
land or America, the atmosphere being
so dry and pleasant. Prices of all kinds
of farm produce are remunerative. The
financial condition of the farmers of
Manitoba has decidedly improved the
past three years. As an evidence, very
few farm buildings have been erected
throughout the province. With pro-
hibition for our Province and Dominion in
the near future, regardless of Principal
Grant's whims, Manitoba will do her
duty. Our watchword is onward and
upward. Hoping to hear from Ontario,
victory for prohibition, and the right
men elected to enforce the same,
N. CLARK."

Wedding at Chatterton.

Mr. Daniel Vanderwaters' handsome
residence at Chatterton was the scene of
an interesting event on Wednesday,
Feb. 24th, when the daughter of Mr.
Connie Faulkner, daughter of Mr. and
Mrs. James Faulkner, was married to
Mr. Neil Vanallen, of Foxboro. The
ceremony was performed by Rev. R.
Duke in the presence of about thirty
guests, all near friends of the contracting
parties, after which a dainty dinner
was served. The bride was charmingly
attired in a very becoming travelling
suit. After a visit to Toronto the happy
pair will take up their residence near
Foxboro. Both are well known by a
large circle of friends who will all ex-
tend to them most sincere wishes for
their future happiness.—Belleville Sun.

Miss Faulkner was at one time a student
at Stirling High School, and will
be favorably remembered by her many
friends and relatives here, who all join
in wishing her a happy married life.

"What to Read."

An Instructive Lecture by Mr. J.
S. Carstairs, of Stirling.

Belleville Sun.

A large audience assembled in the lec-
ture room of Bridge Street Church Fri-
day night to hear the address on "What
to Read," given by Mr. John Stewart
Carstairs, B.A., of Stirling. The lecture
was divided into two parts, the first be-
ing why we should read, and the second
how we should read. In the former he
dwelt on the duty of each individual
not alone to himself, but to humanity at
large. It is the duty of each person to
take up civilization where he finds it
and do his utmost towards its advance-
ment. In the second part he gave much
practical advice as to the way a book
should be read. Although the address
was an exceedingly instructive one and
could not fail to arouse in the young
people a desire to read, to love to read,
and to love to read good works.

At the close of the lecture a vocal solo
was well rendered by Miss Ethel Cole-
man.

A vote of thanks to Mr. Carstairs was
moved by Mr. P. C. Jones and seconded
by Dr. Eakins, after which the na-
tional anthem was sung and the meet-
ing dismissed.

Liquor Men Win Again.

Prosecutors Must Swear That No
Medical Certificate Exists.

On the 11th November last, Neil Mc-
Guire, the bartender of the Windsor hotel,
Madoc, was tried before Justice A.
F. Wood, ex-M.P.P., and J. R. Ketchen-
son, on an information charging him
"that on Saturday night, after the hour
of eight o'clock, in the Windsor hotel, a
place licensed to sell liquor at retail, he
did, contrary to law, sell and dispose of
liquor at the bar, which was open for
the public, and parties standing at the
bar drinking, and disorderly taking place
during prohibited hours."

Morris Vollick, the prosecutor, and
Charles Bulpit testified that they saw
liquor served in the bar on the night in
question during prohibited hours by the
defendant, whereupon the learned jus-
tices convicted the defendant of having
sold liquor during prohibited hours, and
imposed a fine of \$20 and costs.

From this conviction the defendant
appealed. His Honor Judge Lazier, of
Belleville, who heard the appeal on the
25th November, Mr. Haverson, of the
Ontario License-Holders' Association,
who appeared for McGuire, contended
that the information should have al-
leged that "the sale was without any re-
quisition for medical purposes, as re-
quired by the License Act, being produced
by the vendee or his agent," and that
the evidence and conviction failed in the
same respect. County Crown Attorney
Anderson contended that under section
852 of the Criminal Code the defend-
ant must show such requisition if there were
one. Mr. Haverson replied that the
onus of showing the existence of such a
requisition only existed where the infor-
mation alleged the existence of such a
requisition. His Honor reserved his
decision, and on the 17th inst. gave
judgment, sustaining Mr. Haverson's
contention, and quashed the conviction.

Good Suits for \$5.

The Oak Hall, Belleville, have a line of
nice cheap suits worth \$7. They are made
of fine wool cloth, single breasted, suit coat,
good trimmings. They have been a little
slow for some reason or other, and are go-
ing to be cleared at \$5 each. We have a
size in stock. This is a bargain for you.

PERSONALS.

Miss Minnie Faulkner, who has been at-
tending Albert College, Belleville, spent
Sunday at her home here.

Mr. T. P. Bennett, who has been a stu-
dent of the High School here, left on Wed-
nesday for Albert College, Belleville.

Miss Ida Clark, of Belleville, is visiting
her sister, Mrs. C. J. Boldrick.

Miss Mollie Parker returned home from
Kingston on Tuesday last.

At an invitation recital given by the
pupils of Miss Ethel C. Thomas in Belle-
ville on Saturday afternoon last, Miss Lil-
lian Stickle rendered a violin solo, Andante
and Rondo.

Miss Madeleine Fraleck, eldest daughter
of Judge Fraleck, of Belleville, was taken
with typhoid fever while visiting in
Kingston, and removed to the Hospital
there last Sunday. Her friends here hope
for a speedy recovery.

Miss Effie Wright, of Tweed, is the guest
of Mrs. (Rev.) Johnston, Church St. Mr.
D. E. Johnston, of Albert College, Belle-
ville, also spent Sunday at Mrs. Wm. John-
ston's.

Mr. J. A. Rodgers, who has been attend-
ing the Belleville Business College, spent
Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs.
John Rodgers.

Mrs. Phillips, of Campbellford, is spend-
ing the week visiting friends and relatives
here.

Miss Janet Montgomery returned home
on Wednesday from Hastings, where she
has been visiting.

Boys' Stockings.

We are opening up at the Oak Hall,
Belleville, to-day, a big lot of boys' hosiery
which will be cleared at snappy prices. All
wool, ribbed, sizes 6 to 10, every size 25c.
per pair. Also wool dress cashmere hose,
sizes 8, 9, 10 and 11, only 25c. These lines
will do just as well for ladies. Come in
and see what you think of them.

Auction Sales.

FRIDAY, FEB. 25.—On Lot 16, Con. 6,
Rawdon, the Farm Stock and Implements
belonging to Mr. Wilmot Vandervoort.
Sale at 1 p.m. Wm. Rodgers, Auctioneer.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9.—On the east
half of lot 24, Con. 1, Rawdon, a number of
high grade cattle and other stock and
farm implements, the property of Mr.
Robert B. Meiklejohn. Sale at one o'clock
p.m. Wm. Rodgers, Auctioneer.

Married.

DOWN-IVISON.—On the 23rd inst., at the
residence of the bride's father, by the Rev.
Wm. Johnston, Mr. CHAS. A. MITCHELL, of
Huntingdon, and Miss ALICE LUCINDA, only
daughter of Mr. G. T. Ivison, postmaster of
Glen Ross.

MITCHELL-RUSSELL.—On the 23rd inst., at the
Church St. Parsonage, Stirling, by the Rev.
Wm. Johnston, Mr. CHAS. A. MITCHELL, of
Huntingdon, and Miss MELISSA EDITH,
daughter of Mr. James Russell, of Thorval.

STIRLING MARKET.

Butter—15c to 15c per lb.
Eggs, fresh—13c to 13c. per doz.
Farmers' Lard—10c to 10c per lb.
Apples, green—50c. per bush.
Potatoes—30c to 40c per bag.
Beans—75c to \$1.00 per bush.
Onions—75c. per bag.
Chickens—6c. per pound.
Geese—5c to 6c per lb.
Ducks—7c to 8c per lb.
Timothy seed—\$2.00 to \$2.25 per bus.
Hay—\$8.00 to \$8.00 per ton.
Oats—20c to 25c per bus.
Peas—35c to 40c per bus.
Peas (large) 35c. to 40c. per bushel
Rye—35c. to 40c. per bus.
Barley—25c. to 35c. per bus.
Buckwheat—35c. to 40c. per bus.
Wheat—65c. to 75c. per bus.

Giving Away

We have just received a large quantity of hand
made Oak Tables, which we are giving to every
person purchasing one pound of our best Mustard,
or one can of any kind of Baking Powder.

FISH.

We have a good supply of Salmon Trout on hand.
Parties requiring same will do well to come to us.

SALT.

We have just received another car of Fine Salt.

WM. HOLDEN.

Energy Stimulated.

This space does not fulfil its whole duty unless it impresses on
YOU the fact that with tireless energy we are working for your
interests as well as our own.



LOW PRICES
are made
Possible
by
Many Sales.

Investigate our stock and prices in justice to your own pocket.
Our method of doing business is a winner.

MARTIN & REYNOLDS.

THE KLONDIKE OF THE COUNTY.

Better than nuggets is J. BOLDRICK & SON'S nice Suits
for Spring Trade. Gold mixtures, Heather mixtures, Aber-
deens and Cheviots in any variety from Ten Dollars. We
have also lots of Ready-Made Clothing to choose from. Child-
ren's and Boys' Clothing in great variety.

We have Two Coon Fur Coats left. Will go at a bargain if
sold at once. Also, a few Ladies' Valuable Capes.

JAS. BOLDRICK & SON.

MONSTER Fire Sale Continuing AT E. F. PARKER'S.

As proof of what we are doing, will quote a few prices:

Grey Cotton, regular 5c. lines now 3c.
Table Linen, regular 70c. now 45c.; 60c. now 40c.; 50c. now 35c.
Cottonade, 25c. now 10c.
Black Brocade Luster, regular 60c. now 45c.; 30c. now 20c.
Special Line of Dress Goods, regular 15c. now 8c. Other lines at propo-
tionate low prices.

We are giving snaps in—

LADIES' FINE BLACK CASHMERE HOSE.

DO NOT MISS THE SPECIAL LACE SALE.

GENTS' FURNISHINGS.

Men's Half-Hose, regular 15c. now 10c.; 30c. now 25c.
Men's Wool Underwear, going below cost.
Good Linen Collars, all shapes, 2 for 25c.
NECK-WEAR at cost.

BOOTS & SHOES.

MEN'S WEAR.

Fine Light Shoe, regular \$1.50 now \$1.10.
Fine Dongola Oxford, regular \$2.50 now \$1.75.

LADIES' WEAR.

Fine Dongola Bal., regular \$2.00 now \$1.30.
Fine Dongola Button, regular \$3.00, now \$2.10.
Fine Dongola Oxfords, regular \$1.75, now \$1.25.
Misses and Childrens' at same rates.

One piece of Fine Sealette now on sale at \$2.50 per yard.
This is a snap.

Our Store (Masonic Hall) is full of such bargains.

E. F. PARKER.

All accounts must be paid at once.

HARDWARE!

DAMAGED STOCK
IN THE CONLEY BLOCK.

I will sell my entire stock at great-
ly reduced prices. Smoked Goods,—
we are almost giving them away.

SHELF HARDWARE, NAILS,
BAR IRON, TINWARE, WRING-
ERS, STOVES, SAP BUCKETS &
SPOUTS, in fact, almost everything
you could mention.

I am going to clean out the whole
stock at a big reduction.

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